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GRAVE TENSION DEVELOPING BETWEEN GERMANY AND FRANCE

Weygand Summoned By Petain BALKANS SITUATION IS TENSE

No Signs That Russia Will Do Anything To Prevent Nazi Invasion Of Bulgaria

THERE ARE SIGNS OF GRAVE TENSION DEVELOPING BETWEEN GERMANY AND FRANCE, WHILE THE SITUATION IN THE BALKANS GROWS TENSER, STATED A MESSAGE FROM AUSTRALIA YESTERDAY.

The German newspapers have been threatening the Vichy Government for lack of co-operation and it was announced from Vichy that MARSHAL PETAIN has summoned GENERAL WEYGAND from Syria for immediate and urgent talks.

In the meantime, GENERAL ANTONESCU, the Rumanian Prime Minister, has been urgently summoned to BERLIN and is reported to be now on his way to the Reich capital from Bucharest by train, although this report has not been confirmed from any other source than Bucharest.

The enigma of RUSSIAN FOREIGN POLICY and her attitude to the European war is being discussed in relation to the German threat to Bulgaria and it is stated that, in spite of the Russian statement that the Soviet had not been consulted regarding the passage of German troops through Bulgaria, it is held in London that only bad weather is keeping Herr Hitler from carrying out his invasion of Bulgaria.

MONOTONOUS SHELLING OF TOBRUK CONTINUES

WHILE BRITISH SHELLS ARE DROPPING WITH MONOTONOUS REGULARITY OVER THE ITALIAN POSITIONS AT TOBRUK, and troops and Australian and Dominion forces are taking up their positions round the port for the final assault, which may be expected in the next few days, the R. A. F. has raised its attacks on LIBYA as far back as BENGHAZI, states a message from London.

This R. A. F. activity has been helped by the presence of aerodromes and landing grounds, which the retreating Italians have failed to make unusable.

British tanks, guns and supplies are rumbling across the desert and there are no signs of any Italian attempts to relieve Tobruk.

NO RESISTANCE

Enemy resistance in the air is reported to have ceased. Between Sidi Barrani and Sollum, along the highways which the Italians called "the road to victory," there are many further examples of the destruction brought by the R. A. F. At one point, an Italian bomber stands poised on its nose, while at another, before the Italians retreated, they placed a number of bombs shaped like drinking flasks.

Beyond Fort Capuzzo is another aerodrome strewn with the wreckage of planes.

At Sidi Barrani, an Italian bomber fell just outside the landing ground, after it had been hit by British fire. Three of the Italian crew were killed and the pilot was taken prisoner.

LONDON, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—Many students' organisations in Holland have been disbanded by the German Police, and their club buildings closed, states a message received in official Dutch quarters in London.

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AUSTRALIAN LOSSES IN LIBYA

The Army Headquarters state that the losses of the Australian Imperial forces is 286 comprising 31 officers and 255 other ranks.

The number killed, or died of wounds, was 17, says a London message.

NO RESISTANCE

At the same time, the Japanese are showing anxiety to come to terms with Russia and this has received a rebuff by the conclusion of a trade treaty between the Soviet and China by which Russian machinery and war material will be available to China. In exchange for Chinese tea.

The Chinese ability to maintain the war against Japan will thus be increased.

SMALL BLOCKADE LEAK

At the same time, Russia is keeping open for Germany, the only small leak in the British blockade and it is learned that the Germans are obtaining goods by this means from South America.

It is believed that PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT proposes to stop this leak by buying up the entire stocks of goods which German agents are purchasing in South America.

A report from Bulgaria quoted in a London message, states that M. FILOFF, Bulgarian Prime Minister, and M. POPOFF, his Foreign Minister, had talks yesterday with the German Minister. It was also reported that Bulgaria is taking steps to renew her trade agreement with Russia.

The treaty will involve trade to the value of £12,500,000.

In both Turkey and Greece, M. Filoff's speech reaffirmed his country's determination to remain independent is taken as proof that Bulgaria will not willingly be dragged into the war for Germany's sake.

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FRENCH VESSEL INTERCEPTED

MONTEVIDE, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—The French steamer Mendoza 8,000 tons, which left Montevideo with a general cargo for France, was intercepted by the British auxiliary cruiser Asturias.

It later anchored at Jose Ignacio Bay and is expected to return to Montevideo.

Before the Mendoza sailed from Buenos Aires on Friday, the crew is said to have been given the assurance that the British Government approved the voyage.

All local newspapers on Saturday published the denial that any naval visit had been issued.

Today's News Summary

THE YEAR HAS BEGUN WITH REASSURINGLY low losses of merchant ships from enemy action, the official figure for the week ended midnight January 5-6 being four British vessels with 14,687 total tonnage and no Allied or neutral losses.

THOUGH RESTRICTED IN THEIR ACTIVITIES in Albania the Greeks are giving the Italians no respite. Some prisoners, including four officers, have been captured and four tanks have fallen into Greek hands.

THE SHELLING OF TOBRUK IS PROCEEDING with monotonous regularity while British and Australian forces are still massing for the final assault.

PRAISE FOR THE SKILL AND POWER BEHIND the British advance in the Western Desert was expressed by the Rome Radio which also admitted very considerable Italian losses.

PLYMOUTH WAS THE MAIN TARGET OF GERMAN raiders on Monday night and the raid lasted for three hours. Many fires were started and a number of buildings in the city were damaged.

NIGHT FLIGHT BY R.A.F. IN BAD WEATHER OVER PORTS IN OCCUPIED FRANCE: FIRES IN DUNKIRK AREA

Thrilling Story Of Bombing Oil Tanks Near Venice Related

On Monday night the R.A.F. flew through bad weather over ports in OCCUPIED FRANCE, states a London message.

One attack was made on the submarine base at LORIENT which has been officially described as successful. Heavy bombers also started fires in the DUNKIRK AREA. All British aircraft are reported to have returned safely.

Pilots who took part in the bombing of oil tanks near VENICE have brought back a thrilling story of attacks made from as low as 700 feet.

The Wing-Commander, who led one raid, said how he saw two sentries standing with their rifles pointed at the plane. It was a bright moonlight night. At 700 feet he let go a heavy bomb which landed in front of an oil refinery building and caused the flames to leap up to the height of the aircraft. He then dropped a couple of explosives.

CANAL LOWER

The rest of the squadron also came lower. One pilot dropped his first bomb at 9,000 feet, then dropped to 1,500 feet and his third run was at a thousand feet. The smoke from the explosion got into the plane and made the crew cough and splutter but it was worth it for they obtained hits on a refinery and saw the whole place blow up.

The Wing-Commander who led the flight went back home by Padua. He followed the railway track and when he saw an aerodrome he dropped to 100 feet from the ground with his gunners blazing away.

Another raiding force attacked port on the DANUBE where one stick of bombs fell plum on a taxi.

BUILDING COLLAPSE

Another hit a factory and the pilot saw the building and chimney collapse.

Further explosions were also heard and the raiders had no doubt that they had done considerable damage.

During Sunday night's raid five fires were started at BREST which was blasted for 90 minutes. These fires were seen to merge into one enormous blaze. One British fighter was lost on this raid.

PLYMOUTH FIRES

For nearly three hours on Monday night German raiders showered bombs on PLYMOUTH where several fires were started, states a London message.

Although these were quickly brought under control some buildings were hit and damage caused and a number of people were killed and others injured.

London itself had a night free from air raids but a few bombs were dropped over widely separated points in Wales. Little damage was caused and no-one was seriously hurt.

ANKARA, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—Lieut-General Sir James Marshall Cornwall and A. Vice-Marshall Elmhurst, representing the Middle East Command, who arrived yesterday for Staff talks with the Turkish Command, were later received by Marshal Tchaknak, Chief of the Turkish General Staff, and General Gundus, Deputy Chief. They were accompanied by Admiral Sir Howard Kelly, personal representative in Ankara of the Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean Fleet.

HURRICANE SQUADRON READY FOR ACTION



The British Hurricanes with the Spitfires have borne the brunt of the battle with German planes, and despite the Nazis' damage to British ports and civilian areas the pilots are determined to fulfil the pledge. "There'll always be an England." The scoreboard on the plane in the picture shows that the smiling flier has bashed 23 German planes. He led the British squadron which shot down seven of the 13 Italian warplanes that took part in an attack upon England. He landed his own plane after ramming one of the Italian attackers.

AMENDMENT TO LIMIT ROOSEVELT'S POWERS

House Of Representatives Give Verbal Approval To "Lease Or Lend" Bill

MR. CORDELL HULL, U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE, was to have been the main witness when President Roosevelt's "Lease or Lend" Bill was examined by the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives in Washington yesterday, states a London message.

Mr. Hull, however, could not be present and his examination has been postponed for today.

A few hours earlier the House of Representatives gave verbal approval to the Bill. The amendments to the Bill would be confined to authorising the President only to give help to the Commonwealth nations and if he wished to help others he must get the permission of the Congress.

Another amendment is to limit the President's powers to two years.

MR. HENRY MORGENTHAU, the United States Secretary of the Treasury, disclosed yesterday that negotiations between Britain and important American truck concerns have been taking place for the sale of British investments in the United States.

SIR FREDERICK PHILLIPS, the British Treasury representative who is now in America, said that the British Government was ready to do business with these concerns.

MORE FIGHTER PLANES

MR. BERNARD WRIGHT, an official of the Curtis-Wright Corporation, states yesterday that his company had been delivering more fighter planes to Britain than to the United States because the U.S. Army authorities wished to incorporate into their planes certain designs in the British machine.

Mr. Wright added that by 1944 he hoped to be able to reach a maximum daily output of 30 to 40 planes.

It was also revealed in London yesterday that four kinds of United States bombers are

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Admiralty Announces Good News

LOW SHIPPING LOSSES

GOOD NEWS WAS ANNOUNCED by the Admiralty yesterday when it stated that the British merchant shipping losses for the week ended Jan. 5-6 were the lowest for eight months, states a London message.

Only four times previously since the war began have the losses been lower.

The figures for the first week of the new year were four British ships lost with a total of less than 15,000 tons.

For the previous lowest figure it will be necessary, said the Admiralty statement, to go back to May last year when three British ships were lost totalling 14,000 tons.

ONE REASON

A London comment states that the reason for this low figure against might be a matter for conjecture but one reason may be the heavy R.A.F. attacks on German naval bases and bases in occupied territory. It is presumed that this must have had some effect on the number of submarines operating in the Atlantic.

Another reason might be the increase in the number of escorts for convoys.

Allied and British losses have been falling for the past three weeks. In the third week of December the losses were 52,000 tons, in the following week 37,000 tons and now less than 15,000 tons.

There were no Allied or neutral losses in the figures for this week.

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SOCCER REVIEW

SOUTH CHINA WELL AND TRULY DEFEATED

Kwong Wah Continue To Show Improvement

BY "PILAT"

The classic soccer match between South China and Sing Tao on Sunday last nearly developed into a mud battle but the rain, which fell intermittently before the game, held off just before the start, though conditions could not be said to be conducive to good football.

Despite the wet ground and a slippery ball, which made control more difficult, both teams played first class soccer.

Settling down quicker and finding conditions more to their liking Sing Tao surpassed all their previous performances by giving an all-round brilliant display. South China, on the other hand, with their defence still trying to find their feet for the greater part of the first half, could not settle down but even when they did they found in Sing Tao's intermediate line their match.

The weak link in South China's defence was on the left were both Lau Chung-sang and Tse Kam-hung were off form. Lau found the Lau Shu-wing-Yeung Shim-yick combination too much for him while Tse was shaky and, as a result, threw more work on Tsang Chung-wan. The latter, however, was on tip-top form and did yeoman service at right-back.

WELL PLANNED

Sensing this weakness Sing Tao concentrated on this side, alternating by swinging the ball over to Ip Pak-wah. By this and by well planned moves they managed to keep South China's defence off balance. Fung King-cheong was an ideal leader, scheming openings for his inside men.

The re-arranged Sing Tao's middle line of Soong Ling-sing, Leung Wing-chiu and Tsui Ah-fai gave a sterling display in holding the Caroline Hill forward line. Special mention must be made of the effective manner in which Tsui bottled up Lee Wal-tong and gave by far his best performance this season.

It was obvious that Sing Tao took the field with a set plan and went about their work with a purpose but whatever plans the losers might have had were upset by the unexpected weakness of their defence. The forwards, too, took quite some time to settle down as the inside men went back to help the defenders in the earlier stages.

Whatever may have been the causes, bad weather conditions notwithstanding, South China, on the day's showing, were well and truly beaten.

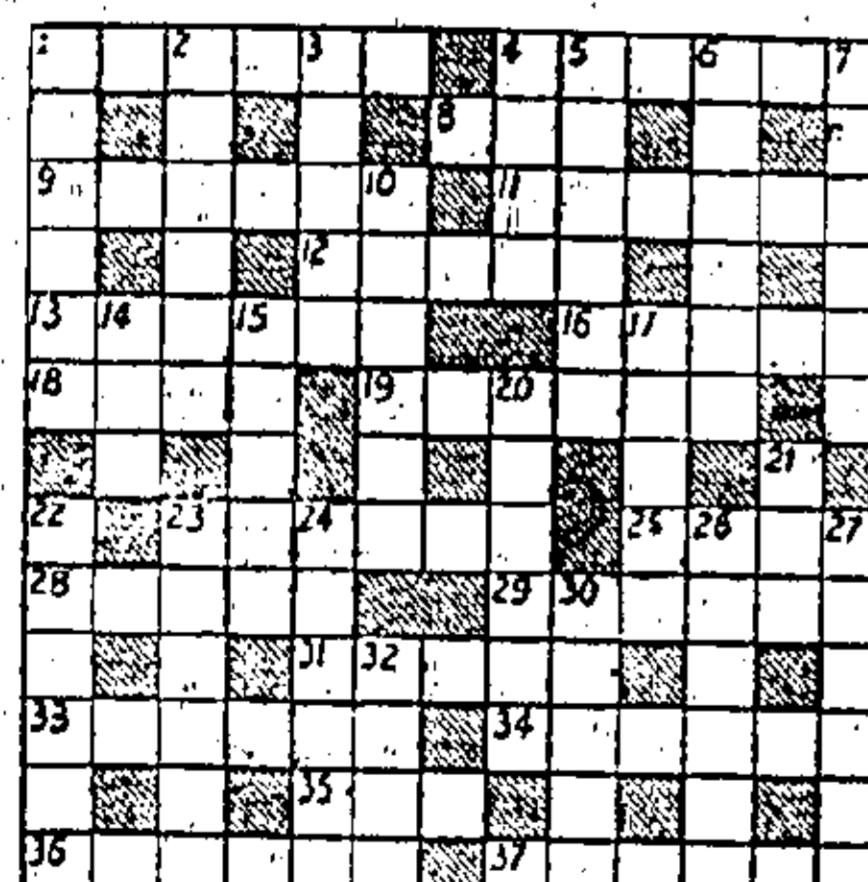
POLICE TROUNCHED

Kwong Wah continued to show improvement when they unexpectedly trounced Police at Boundary Street by the big margin of 7-2. Police, on the whole, gave a disappointing display and were

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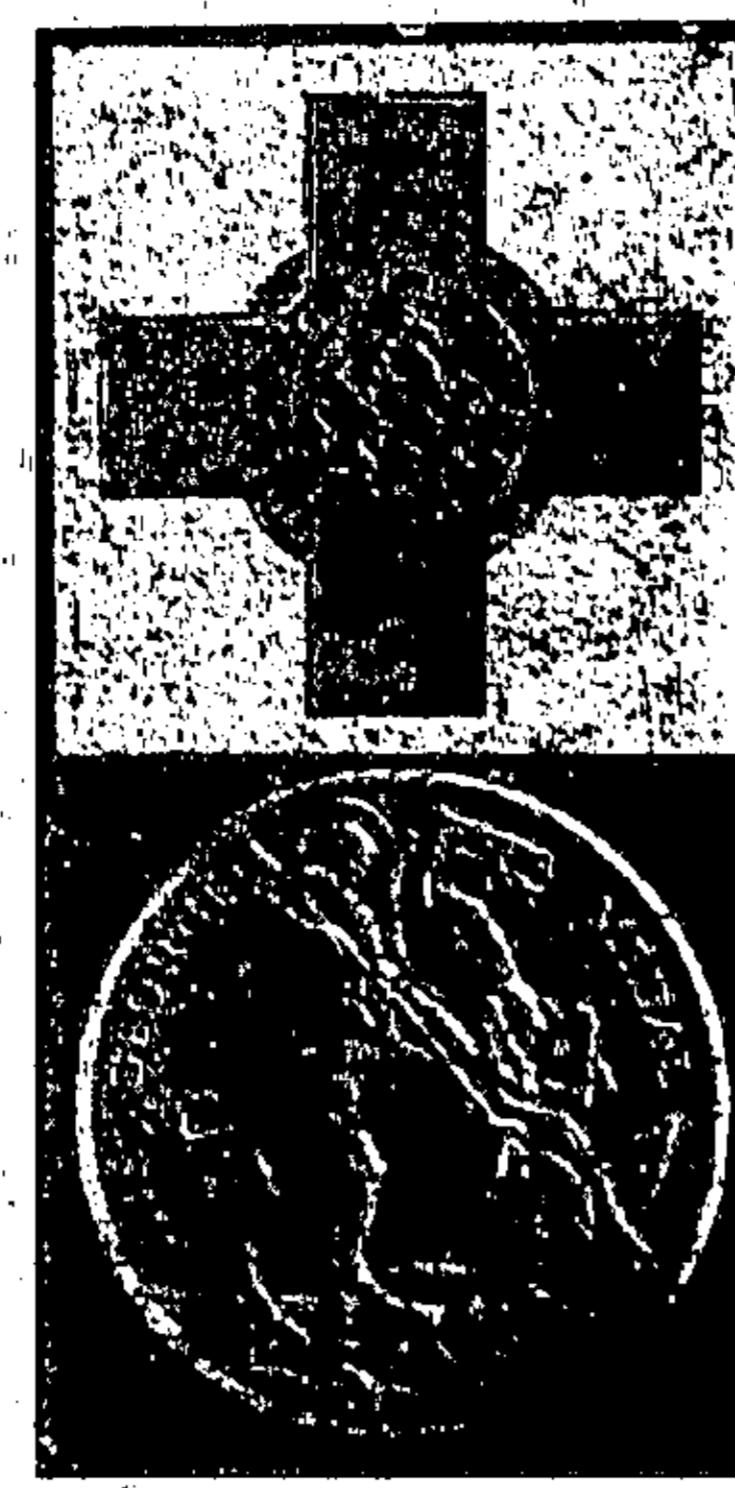


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The new George Cross and George Medal awarded for gallantry.

SPORTING FIXTURES TODAY

BADMINTON.—"E" Division: Jewish R.C. v. Chung Wah; Recreational v. V.R.C.; Kowloon Tong v. St. John's; St. Andrews v. K.C.C.

BILLIARDS.—Garrison Individual Snooker Championship final, Lieut W. V. Dixon v. Cpl. J. H. Harvey (Soldiers' Club) 7 p.m.

TOMORROW

BILLIARDS.—Garrison Individual Billiards Championship final, S.Q.M.S. Wood v. Cpl. J. H. Harvey (Soldiers' Club) 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17
SWIMMING.—Y.M.C.A. Mixed Swimming.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18
CRICKET.—"A" Division: University v. Recreational; Craigengower v. Indian R.C. "B" Division: Civil Service C.C. v. Police R.C.; Kowloon C. C. v. Craigengower; Recreational v. University.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19
RACING.—Macao Jockey Club's January Race Meeting.

SALICA KEEPS TITLE

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—Lou Salica of Brooklyn, retained the World Bantamweight title yesterday, outpointing Tommy Fort, a local youngster, in a 15-round bout.

GREEK WINS

CLEVELAND, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—The 23-year-old Greek, Antelio Christoforidis, became World Light-heavy Weight champion outpointing Melio Bettina, of New York, the former champion, in a 15-round fight for the title declared vacant by the National Boxing Association.

CHESS RESULTS

The following are the results of matches in the Kowloon Chess Club championship played yesterday:

Senior—K. M. A. Barnett beat B. D. Evans.

Junior—V. V. Kolatchoff, drew with Th. Laufer; A. Benjamin beat D. Drake; J. H. D'Almeida beat C. Lee.

Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group

The Discussion Group to be held on Sunday, Jan. 19, at 9 p.m. in the West Lounge will take the form of a film evening. All are cordially invited. There will be no entrance fee charge, but a collection will be made to defray expenses. The following pictures will be shown:

Island People (Silent); Ashanti (Sound); Transfer of Power (Sound); The Heart and Circulation (Sound); Inside the Telephone (Silent); Johann Strauss (Sound).

WHIST DRIVE

The popular YMCA Whist Drives were resumed on Monday night after a lapse of several months and proved to be an enjoyable evening. The Whist Drives are held every Monday at 8.30 p.m.

Chief Interpreter Of The Supreme Court Testifies In Action For Slander

MR. NG CHAK-WING, Chief Interpreter of the Supreme Court, called by the plaintiff, the wife of a high Chinese Government official, in an action for slander, to give expert evidence at the Supreme Court yesterday stated that in the early days the term "lo chien" was used for gamblers, and meant a person who won money by fraudulent means or by a trick.

The action arose from an alleged remark made by defendant, Chan Yee-koo, of No. 22, Hillwood Road, to plaintiff, Chan Pau-shi, of No. 420, Nathan Road, third floor. Defendant was alleged to have said: "You are a 'lo chien' and social gatherings will not allow you to be in their companies. You are also a thief."

Mr. Alfred Y. Hon represented plaintiff.

Cross-examined by Mr. F. H. Loseby, who appeared for the defendant, Mr. Ng, stated that the only difference between "lo chien" and "lo chien por" was a matter of gender. The former was common gender, whereas the latter applied to a female as the word "por" denotes feminine gender.

The claim was for \$1,000, of which \$933 was special claim, being money due to the plaintiff from the money loan association and \$47 being special claim. The special claim was waived by Mr. Hon who said that in regard to the general claim he would leave it to the Court.

"As time went on," continued Mr. Ng, "this term would be applied by Society to any person obtaining money falsely or by a trick, whether in gambling or otherwise. When applied by Society to a person, it means that he is either a professional gambler or is in the habit of obtaining money by fraudulent manner or trick.

"Sam chek sau" explained witness, meant stealing things. Amplifying his statement, Mr. Ng stated that as a person has only two hands, three hands (the literal translation of "sam chek sau") implied that he has an additional hand.

The term "chu nar" was far from complimentary, said witness.

MATTER OF GENDER

Further cross-examined by Mr. F. H. Loseby, who appeared for the defendant, Mr. Ng, stated that the only difference between "lo chien" and "lo chien por" was a matter of gender. The former was common gender, whereas the latter applied to a female as the word "por" denotes feminine gender.

The term "chu nar," said witness, was a very offensive phrase and the woman (whether married or single) so addressed would understand by that term that she was being referred to as a prostitute.

Mr. Loseby: Or even lower?

Yes. Or even worse than that — it means that she would be open to receive any man willing to have her? — Yes.

Mr. Loseby was about to cross-examine witness on a certain point respecting mah-jongg when his Lordship interposed with the remark that he did not think Mr. Ng was an expert at the game, specially after evidence had been given by those who seemed to spend all their lives playing that game.

PLAINTIFF RECALLED

Plaintiff was recalled yesterday for cross-examination. She denied

that she had been playing mah-jongg for months with Mrs. Hui as a secret partner. Questioned by Mr. Loseby, as to whether Leung Yee-koo was entitled to refuse to pay and to demand back money paid previously, if it was found out that she played with a secret partner, witness replied that she did not know if that was the rule in gambling.

Chan, however, added that if two players were found to be secret partners the loser could refuse to pay but did not agree that money previously paid could be demanded back.

Mr. Loseby then went on to describe the different signals which Mr. Loseby put to witness, were taught Mrs. Hui by her. Witness denied that she ever taught Mrs. Hui to give signals and denied all knowledge of the signs as described by Mr. Loseby.

Further cross-examined, witness admitted that she was once called "lo chien por" (a lady swindler) on July 20.

DRAW OF LOAN

Leung Piu-lin (Yee Koo), a subpoenaed witness, said that on Aug. 8, 1940, she conducted the draw of the \$5 loan association at her residence, No. 5 King's Terrace. About 1 a.m. plaintiff came and she said to her: "You have eaten up my flesh, do you want to eat my bone also? I have lost all my pocket money and have lost all my jewellery," and began to cry.

Plaintiff asked her, "Who called me a 'lo chien'?" and just then defendant arrived and replied "I do."

After further evidence, the

TWO WEDDINGS AT REGISTRY

Mr. J. Reynolds, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiated at two weddings at the Registry yesterday.

Mr. Wong Chun-kom, assistant manager, residing at No. 29, Connaught Road Central, and Miss Tso Wai-yung of No. 75 Shantung St. Kowloon.

Mr. Mak Wah-fong, clerk of the Medical Department, residing at No. 281, Lockhart Road, and Miss Lai Tak-chan, of No. 62, Wai Ching Street.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming weddings are announced:

Mr. Chan Shu-kai, of "Kai Yuen," King's Road, and Miss Angela Gockchin of No. 14, Fung Fai Terrace.

Mr. Tsang Hon-hung, shipping clerk, of No. 121, Wing Lok Street, and Miss Kam Shau-kuen of No. 165, Johnston Road.

Hui Ying, master of a junk, reports that at 3 p.m. on Jan. 2, when he was sailing near Ping Ho, five Japanese from a trawler boarded his junk and threw into the sea one jingle, valued at \$40. On leaving, they took away his licence.

hearing was adjourned till this morning.

The case is being heard before Mr. Justice Williams.

QUEEN'S THEATRE

HONGKONG DAILY AT 2:30-5:15-7:20-9:30 P.M. TEL 31453

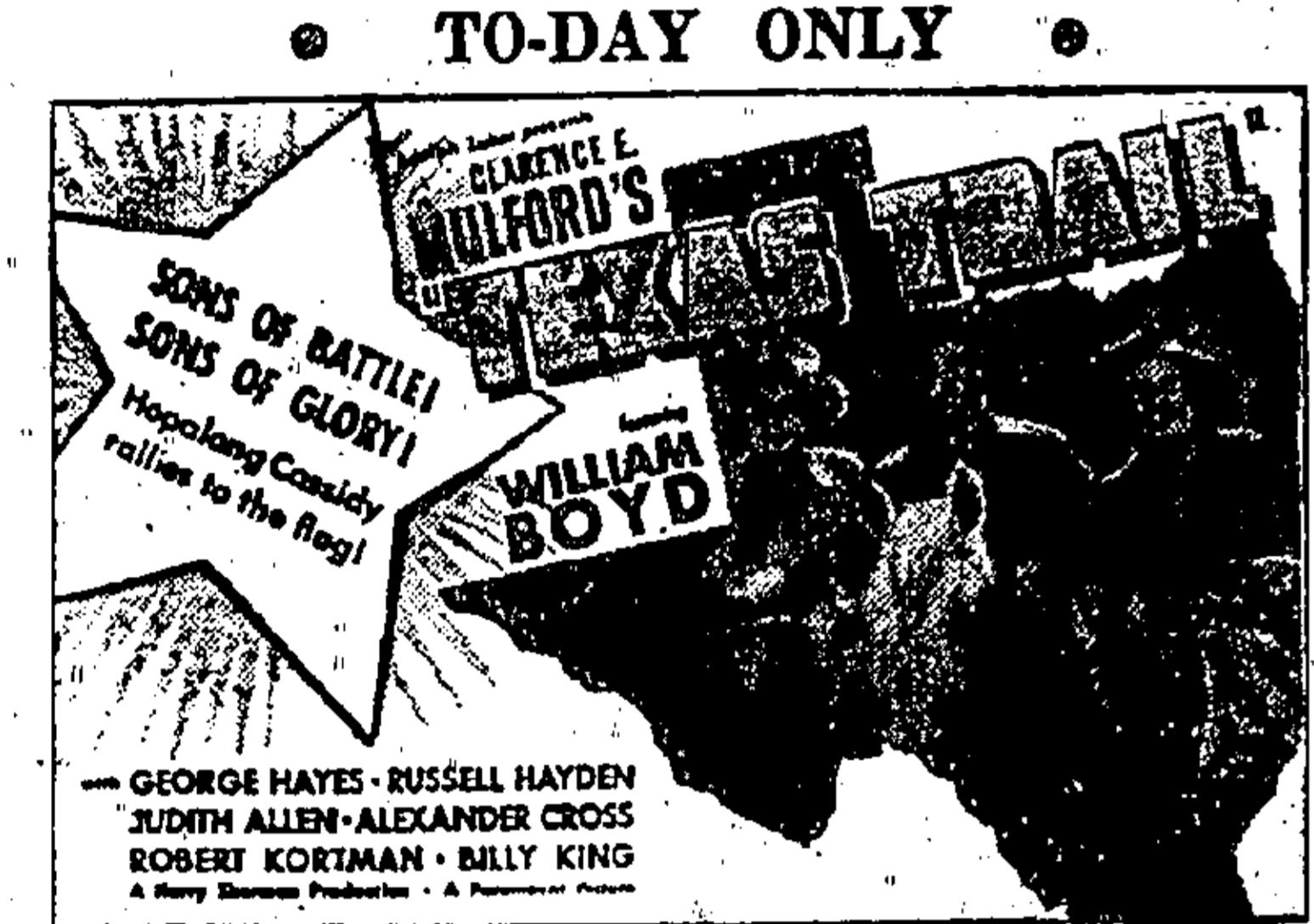
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HORROR "KING"
AT KING'S

"BEFORE I HANG"

Boris Karloff is back! The master monster of the cinema returns to the King's Theatre screen today in Columbia's latest chiller, "Before I Hang". Thrill-packed and jammed with suspense, the film brings more spine-tingling chills than a night spent in a haunted house.

Starring the horror king in the most amazing role of his brilliant career, the film deals with the fearful, fascinating question of

immortality. Karloff, portraying an elderly scientist, believes that he has found a cure for death and is determined to prove it!

The first actual test is doomed to failure when his "guinea pig," an aged pauper, becomes hopelessly ill after an inoculation of the youth-giving serum. Forced to end the poor man's life in order to allay his suffering, Karloff is arrested and sentenced to die for the "mercy slaying."

With the use of little make-up, Karloff succeeds in creating a more thrilling performance in "Before I Hang" than in any role he has ever played before, including that of the monster in "Frankenstein." Evelyn Keyes deserves a share of

COMING EVENTS

JAN.
15—Tides: High 11:20 a.m. and 10:23 p.m. Low 4:56 a.m. and 3:54 p.m. Sunrise: 7:06 a.m.; Sunset: 6 p.m. Immigration Law comes into force. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon. Chinese Estates, Ltd., Fourth Interim Dividend Payable.

Y.M.C.A.: Women's War Work, 9 a.m.—12 noon; Chess and Draughts Night; Swimming.

H.E. the Acting Governor to visit H.K. and Whampoa Dockyard, 4 p.m. Cheero Club Dance, 8:30 p.m. Volunteer Nursing Detachment, Lecture on Home Nursing, Headquarters, 5:30 p.m.; Practical Class, 4:30 p.m. Sailors' Home and Mission to Seamen: Concert Party, 8 p.m.

16—Tides: High 11:58 a.m. and 11:07 p.m. Low 5:32 a.m. and 4:37 p.m. Sunrise: 7:06 a.m.; Sunset: 6:01 p.m. H.K. Y's Men's Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.—Speaker: Mr. K. S. Lee on "How Gen. Chiang Kai-shek Became a Christian."

Auxiliary Nursing Service: Lectures on Home Nursing commence at Kowloon Hospital, 5:30 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Squash; Hockey: Swimming.

Cheero Club: Bridge and Mahjong Crown, Land Sale, Land Office, Ping Shan, 11:30 a.m.

Volunteer Nursing Detachment, Advanced Lecture, Military Hospital, 3 p.m.

Victoria's Chess Club, Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.

Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5:30 p.m.

St. Andrew's Working Party (Medical), 10 a.m.

17—Tides: High 12:37 p.m. and 11:55 p.m. Low 6:11 a.m. and 5:26 p.m. Sunrise: 7:06 a.m.; Sunset: 6:01 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

Farewell Reception to Miss S. F. Sutton, 157, The Peak, 4:30 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Mixed Swimming: Badminton.

Cheero Club: Darts and Table-Tennis.

Sailors' Home and Mission to Seamen: Seafarers' Dance, 9 p.m.

Charity Performance at French Convent, Causeway Bay, 5:30 p.m.

18—Tides: High 1:24 p.m. Low 6:48 a.m. and 6:21 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:06 a.m.; Sunset: 6:02 p.m.

H.E. the Acting Governor to Broadcast on Colonial Centenary, 8:03 p.m.

19—Tides: High 12:49 a.m. and 2:12 p.m. Low 7:27 a.m. and 7:29 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:05 a.m.; Sunset: 6:03 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Discussion Group, 9 p.m.

Macao Jockey Club, January Meeting.

Golf: Junior Championship—First Round.

20—Tides: High 1:54 a.m. and 3:03 p.m. Low 8:11 a.m. and 9:11 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:05 a.m.; Sunset: 6:03 p.m.

Y.M.C.A.: Whist Drive, 8:30 p.m.

Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon.

Crown Land Sale, P.W.D., 3 p.m.

Saiyungpun Vernacular School for Boys, Prize Day, 11 a.m.

21—Tides: High 3:22 a.m. and 4:09 p.m. Low 8:56 a.m. and 11:07 p.m.

Sunrise: 7:05 a.m.; Sunset: 6:04 p.m.

H.K. Rotary Club, Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m.

Entries close for Panling Hunt and Race Club's February Meeting, 12 noon.

CRITICAL OPERATION

One tried looks something like those worn by surgeons when conducting a critical operation in an American film. The other is made of cellophane. Taped and malleable earpieces resembling those on spectacles are being tried.

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Commandeering notices have been placed on many private houses, implementing the recommendation that such shelters should be used by the public at night.

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The praise for turning in a grand job as the fiend's daughter and credit must also be given to Bruce Bennett and Edward Van Sloan for their excellent portrayals in supporting roles. Director Nick Grinde does a fine job and is to be commended for making the Robert D. Andrews screen play such a sensational hit.

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Up From Somerset (Weatherly and Sanderson); Devonshire Cream and Cider (Curzon and Sanderson).

8:30 Studio—"British Dramatists"

No. 6: "Shaw."

Talk by Father T. Ryan, S.J.

8:50 Haydn—Concerto for Trumpet and Orchestra.

Andante and Rondo—George Eastdale (Trumpet) and Symphony Orchestra.

9:00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9:30 London Relay—Talk: "Democracy Marches."

9:45 Dance Music by Jack Harris and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—How Many Rhymes Can You Get; Rumba—Say "St. S." Fox-Trot—So Little Time; Says My Heart (film "Cocoon Grove"). Quickstep—Wishing (film "Love Affair"); Fox-Trot—We've Come A Long Way Together. Waltz—You Got The Best of the Bargain; Fox-Trot—My Heaven in the Pines. Fox-Trot—Outside of Paradise (from the film).

10:15 Variety.

Comedy Sketch—Three Loose Screws—The Three Loose Screws (Chick Endor, Charlie Farrell and Eddie Pola). Vocal—"Our Greatest Successes" — Cicely Courtneidge and Jack Hubert with Orchestra. Piano—Gerry Building (Moore); May Write Blues (Moore) — Gerry Moore. Humorous Monologue—The Voice of Inexperience—Oliver Wakefield. Come-dienne—I Didn't Really Never Caught 'Ave Went—Doris Hare. Vocal—All Thru A Glass of Champagne (C. B. Cochran's Revue "Lights Up") — Evelyn Laye (Soprano) with Orch & Chorus. A Vocal Burlesque—Sonny Boy—Jerry Colonna (Comedian) with Fud and His Fuddy Bears. Vocal—Summer Sweetheart (Gilbert); Sail Along, Silvy Moon (Wenrich) — Vera Lynn with Instrumental accompaniment.

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Full Bulletin 5:00 p.m.
Transmission V—News Summary 6:45 p.m.
Full Bulletin 7:30 p.m.
do 9:15 p.m.
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U.S. BOMBERS TO GIVE PUNCH TO BRITAIN'S AIR OFFENSIVE

LONDON, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—Britain's 1941 air offensive, already begun, will be given fresh punch by at least four new types of American bombers.

The Boeing Bomber, powerfully armed, is said to be able to carry four tons of bombs and its range is such that it is estimated that it could cross the Atlantic with a full war load of petrol and bombs.

Fierce Fighting In Greek War

ITALIANS DISLODGED BY VIOLENT ATTACK

LONDON, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—A violent surprise attack by Greek troops has dislodged the Italians from strongly fortified positions in the central sector of the front, says the Athens radio.

Fierce hand-to-hand engagements are reported from the northern sector where the Greeks have had the advantage in bayonet fighting.

Desperate efforts by the Italians to reinforce their positions in the coastal sector north of Chilmaria are nullified by the spirited Greek offensive.

DOCUMENTS SEIZED

Documents seized by the Greeks show that even by the end of November last the Italians knew that the situation might be very grave in the near future.

Among these documents is a report from the Commander of the Central Alpine Division to his General Officer in Command. He asks that his men be relieved because they have lost 50 percent of their effectiveness.

"We are no longer able to stand up to front-line fighting," he says. "My men are practically bare-footed and ill-clad and they find it hard to stand up to the severe weather and cold."

His General replied on the 27th, as follows: "As soon as possible we will move your unit to the rear but just now this is impossible. You must hold on firmly in order to avoid creating a situation which might become grave."

MOMENT OF DELIVERANCE NOT FAR DISTANT—NEGUS

INVASION PREPARATIONS IN BELGIUM

Feverish Repair Of Waterways, Bridges

LONDON, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—In preparation for an attempt to invade Britain, thousands of workers have been drafted by the Germans to repair waterways and bridges destroyed during the invasion of Belgium, according to news received in London by the "Free Belgian" news service.

The Germans have aimed first at re-establishing navigation between Bruges and Ghent and the port of Antwerp. Men have been working day and night to repair canals.

Some 750 bridges were destroyed during the fighting last May and hundreds of ships were sunk in the waterways and ports.

A system of "voluntary" labour service on the Nazi model has been started in Belgium and a special camp is due to be opened this week for the instruction of leaders to take charge of labour camps.

Despite the propaganda drive carried on for some months, the number of "volunteers" for the labour service is very small.

Acceleration Of Britain's War Effort

Country's Manpower To Be Harnessed

LONDON, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—A new acceleration of Britain's war effort is expected shortly when it is anticipated that the well-known expert, Sir William Beveridge, will be appointed to take full-time direction of the country's manpower, writes Reuter's Lobby correspondent.

Discussion on the new proposals to accelerate the war effort is intensifying in political circles.

Politicians having had a week to consider them, and even now, it cannot be said that there is general approval, criticism being focused on the questions of manpower and production.

The Emperor told me that just as Marshal Badoglio had done, he would personally lead his victorious troops to Addis Ababa, mounted on a white horse.

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I asked him if it was true that the Royal Crown of the House of Judah was now in Rome. He said that the crown which Badoglio took to Rome was stolen by the Italians from the Ethiopian Church and was not the Emperor's Crown.

He went on to explain about the royal war drums which nightly are beating on the hilltops of Gojjam and along the frontier.

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The audience terminated on a personal and still confidential note. "I hope you will accompany me when I return to my country," said the Emperor as I left the palace.

EIRE GOVERNMENT DENIAL

LONDON, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—The High Commissioner to Eire is authorised by his government to state that there is no truth whatever in the report published in some quarters that Mr. Eamon de Valera, within the last month, was offered by the Nazi Government "every possible assistance to Eire to prevent Britain from regaining control of the naval bases she had formerly leased."

GENERAL

Royal War Drums Beat Long-Awaited Message To Ethiopian Tribes

KHARTOUM, Jan. 14 (REUTER)—THE NIGHTLY BROADING OF THE ETHIOPIAN SKY RESOUNDS TO THE ROLL OF DRUMS, spelling out a message for which the Ethiopians have been waiting five years—that the Emperor is near at hand and that the moment of deliverance is not far off, writes Reuter's correspondent.

In a special interview granted me by the Lion of Judah, I learned that the dark, bearded, distinguished Emperor has already made contact with the Ethiopian chiefs from the interior.

The last time I saw the Emperor he was disembarking at Halfa five years ago from a British destroyer after his flight from Abyssinia. Then he was careworn and dejected; today, he sat on a purple silk-covered wooden throne in his little square palm-fringed palace beside the placid waters of the Blue Nile.

Alert and bright-eyed, he is another being. In a voice vibrant with confidence, he told me of his plans—that the day was not far distant when he would cross the border and lead the Ethiopian patriot army against the enemy.

FIGURE OF THE WOLF

There was a glint of assurance in his eyes as he exclaimed, "I will tear down the figure of the wolf erected by the Italians in Addis Ababa Square and in its place will reinstate the white marble statue of the Lion of Judah, the original of which they took to Rome."

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Quisling "Regiment"

To Fight Against

Britain

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—Some Quislings have enrolled in a Norwegian "regiment" which their leader is attempting to raise in order to fight with the Germans against Britain.

Appeals for recruits take up much space in Quisling newspapers in Norway, where it is declared that the regiment will be known as the Nordland Regiment.

The latest Quisling Party propaganda is an attempt at culture, giving almost superhuman powers to the Party's leader.

ITALIAN FORCE BESIEGED IN JARABUB OASIS

PATROLS ACTIVE IN KASSALA SECTOR

CAIRO, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—An Italian force is understood to be cut off and besieged in the Jarabub Oasis, some 150 miles south of Tobruk.

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EVACUATION TEST CASE JUDGMENT TO BE DELIVERED BY THE CHIEF JUSTICE ON TUESDAY, JAN. 21

Important Issues Involved: Submissions By Counsel

At the conclusion of submissions by counsel in the EVACUATION TEST CASE at the Supreme Court yesterday afternoon, the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, announced that in view of the importance of the issues involved he would deliver a written judgment on Tuesday, Jan. 21, at 10 a.m.

The case was brought by MRS. MABEL EVELYN BLAIR, of No. 12, Broadwood Road, who was represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, jun., instructed by Mr. Edgar Davidson, and the HON. MR. C. G. PERDUE, Acting Commissioner of Police, and MR. E. C. LUSCOMBE, A.S.P., were cited as the defendants for whom Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. E. W. Davies, Crown Solicitor, appeared.

The hearing attracted much interest and among the spectators noticed in Court were the Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, Insp. W. Armit, Mr. J. Galvin, Mr. J. Shepherd, Mr. C. Bramall Burgess, Clerk to the Evacuation Advisory Committee, and others.

The purpose of the action was to test the legality of the regulation made on Nov. 19, 1940, prohibiting women and children, under the age of 18 years, to return to the Colony except with the written permission of a competent authority.

PLAINTIFF'S CASE

In his opening, Mr. D'Almada said, that in her affidavit Mrs. Blair stated that she was a British subject, had lived in Hongkong 20 years, and considered this Colony as her domicile. She left Hongkong on July 2 for reasons of health and not in connexion with the evacuation.

As her health had not improved after four months stay in Manila, she decided to return to Hongkong, although her husband had made three unsuccessful applications to the Evacuation Advisory Committee for permission for her to return.

She left Manila on Nov. 19—the day on which the regulation prohibiting British women and children of European descent from returning was published in Hongkong—with her passport endorsed for Amoy as the British Consul at Manila had instructions not to visa any passports for Hongkong.

BOND SIGNED

On arrival here, went on counsel, she was refused permission to land. When she was ultimately allowed to land she was taken to the Passport Office and told that she must be out of the Colony by Nov. 24. Her husband had the time extended after he had signed, under protest, a bond for \$300.

Mrs. Blair did not leave on Nov. 30 and, on Dec. 30, received a communication from the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith stating that she had contravened the Regulations by being still in the Colony. The letter went on to say that inquiries were being made as to ship accommodation and date of departure, and that the Police had instructions, under the Regulations, to take her into custody shortly before the ship sailed and to see her on board. The communication concluded by asking Mrs. Blair to give it her serious attention and not to regard it as a threat.

Messrs. Hastings were instructed to reply to that letter. In their letter, Messrs. Hastings stated that the Police had no power to take Mrs. Blair into custody and that, unless a guarantee was given that they would not do so, their instructions were to apply for an injunction or a writ of habeas corpus.

IMPORTANT FACTS

Counsel went on to emphasise that the most interesting and important facts in the affidavit were firstly, that Mrs. Blair was a British subject; secondly, that she was a resident of Hongkong for 20 years; and thirdly, that she was domiciled here. These facts were not traversed by the defendants.

On the day the Regulations were promulgated in Hongkong, said Counsel, Mrs. Blair left Manila ignorant of the Regulations.

Referring to the evacuation, Hon. Mr. D'Almada said that, according to the reply filed by Mr. Smith, the scheme for the evacuation of white women and children, mooted in 1938, was completed in 1939, and announced soon after war broke out.

Another public announcement was made, over the radio, on June 29, and published in the Press on the two following days, requesting all British women and children to prepare for evacuation.

Counsel contended that the Regulations could not be said to be reasonably capable of ensuring the safety of the Colony as, at a conservative estimate, there were at

THE WRIT OF SUMMONS

The writ of summons stated the plaintiff's claims to be—

(a) for a declaration that Regulation No. 3 of Defence (Entry Restrictions) Regulations, so far as it applies to British subjects resident in the Colony, is ultra vires, void and of no effect;

(b) alternatively, a declaration that the defendants have no power under Regulation No. 6 (b) of the said Regulations to compel the plaintiff to leave the Colony against her will;

(c) an injunction to restrain the defendants or any police officer authorised by the first defendant from taking action against the plaintiff under the said Regulations;

(d) such further or other relief as shall be just; and

(e) costs.

mental rights which the Governor-in-Council wanted, by a stroke of the pen, to deprive plaintiff of. No attempts were made in England, or here, to enforce evacuation and yet, under the Order, an attempt was made to keep a person out of the Colony.

After dealing with the various objects set out in the Defence of the Realm Act, Mr. D'Almada submitted that the only reasonable application of the act is the limitation to the return of immigrants—that is, those who were not residents.

NOT REASONABLE

Summarising his submissions, counsel stated that the Regulation was not a reasonable one and, therefore, traversed the regulations as laid down by law, and was, therefore, ultra vires. There was no Act of Parliament which excludes persons domiciled in England. There could, therefore, be no conclusion that a person domiciled in Hongkong could be regulated out of Hongkong by an Order. He was, concluded counsel, entitled to the declarations and injunctions prayed for in the writ.

Mr. Macnamara submitted that because Government had suspended the evacuation it did not mean that those in Australia were entitled to return. The question of the desirability, or otherwise, of excluding women and children from Hongkong rested with the Government.

As to those remaining, counsel stated that the vast proportion were Chinese who could, if necessary, be evacuated to China.

Under the Defence of the Realm Act, contended counsel, the rights of subjects could be limited by detention, confining their movements, or in any other way. In Hongkong, it was by prohibiting their return.

BEEN CONSIDERED

Mr. Blair had made three separate applications to the Evacuation Advisory Committee, which went to show that Mrs. Blair's case had been considered.

The question of what was or was not necessary for the defence of the Colony was in the hands of a competent authority, namely the Commissioner of Police.

His Lordship here interposed with the remark that the difficulty he encountered, before the hearing of the case in Court, was there was no indication from the Commissioner of Police as to on what lines he was exercising his discretion.

After the tiffin adjournment, Mr. Macnamara continued his submission and asked if it was too much for the Government here to make regulations saying that certain persons should not reside in the Colony?

IN GIBRALTAR

Referring to a submission made by Mr. D'Almada, counsel said that he did not know whether there was compulsory evacuation in England or not but he saw from the newspapers that there had been compulsory evacuation in Gibraltar. What was necessary here, said counsel, might possibly be undesirable in England. Also, what may be quite right and proper in Hongkong might be considered the reverse in England. It was entirely a matter for the Government.

Mr. Macnamara added that his instructions were that the compulsory evacuation scheme had not been stopped but had been suspended.

The citation, submitted counsel, showed the strength of the funda-

Legislative Council Tomorrow

At the Legislative Council meeting to be held tomorrow at 2.30 p.m. the Colonial Secretary will move that the Report of the Finance Committee (No. 10), dated Dec. 19, 1940, be adopted.

The Attorney General will move the First reading of—

"A Bill to amend the Places of Public Entertainment Regulation Ordinance, 1919"; "A Bill to amend the Entertainments Tax Ordinance, 1930."

The Attorney General will also move the Second and Third readings of—

"A Bill to amend the Holidays Ordinance, 1912."

The Financial Secretary will move the following resolution—

That the draft estimates of expenditure for 1941-42 be approved.

URBAN COUNCIL MEETING

FOOD PRESERVING LICENCE REFUSED

Application for a food preserving licence for No. 2, New Kak Hang Village, ground floor, was refused by a meeting of the Urban Council yesterday on the ground that the premises were not suitable.

It was decided the next meeting of the Council would be held on Wednesday, Jan. 29.

Present at the meeting were the Hon. Mr. W. J. Carlie (Chairman), Dr. N. C. McLeod, Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves, Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Mr. F. C. Hall, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, M. C. Dr. S. N. Chau, Mr. B. Wong Tape, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin, M. B. E. Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, Mr. Li Tse-fong and Mr. C. J. Roe (Secretary).

Licences granted by the Council during the past fortnight were—Food Factories 1, Food Preserving Establishments 1, food shops 1, establishtes 1 and eating houses 1.

Memorial Service For Late Chief Scout

A Scout and Guide Memorial Service for the late Chief Scout, the Right Honourable Lord Baden-Powell will be held in St. John's Cathedral on Sunday next, Jan. 19, at 3.30 p.m.

DE GAULLE'S REPLY TO FRENCHMEN IN COLONY

In reply to a cable sent by the Committee of "France Libre" of Hongkong on the Eve of the New Year, General de Gaulle cabled as follows—

Blau, Committee France Libre, Hongkong. I thank all Free Frenchmen for their good wishes and formulate hope that 1941 will be the Year of Victory and deliverance of France.

DE GAULLE

The above cable is translated from the original in French.

Counsel submitted that there was clear power under the Order-in-Council to make the regulations for removing from this Colony people whom the Government judged to be an incumbrance to the defence of the Colony. He did not think there was anything unreasonable if it was decided that the people sent to Australia should for the time being not be allowed to return.

EXAMINE FACTS

Replying, Mr. D'Almada, contended that the regulations could not reasonably be stated to be capable of assuring public safety and he still maintained that the only way in which one could come to any conclusion was to examine the facts and the circumstances at the time when the Order was made. He submitted that beyond all doubt the regulations were ultra vires of the Act.

The Chief Justice: In view of the importance of the issues involved in this case I shall give my reason in writing. I shall deliver a written judgment on Tuesday next, at 10 a.m.

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NOTICE

CHINESE NEW YEAR FAIR

Gloucester Road, between Fenwick Street and Fleming Road will be closed to vehicular traffic from January 17th to January 26th, inclusive.

Sd. C. G. PERDUE,
Commissioner of Police.
Hong Kong, 15th January, 1941.

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THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE
By Order of the Board,
A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.

Hong Kong, 14th January, 1941.

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NOTICE

Mr. A. H. K. Cobb has this day been appointed General Manager of this Company.

G. MISKIN,

Chairman.

Hong Kong, 14th January, 1941.

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DIVIDEND NOTICE

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

The Directors of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation announce that, subject to audit, the dividend for the half year ending 31st December, 1940, will be:

Dividend £2.10/- per share
Write off
Bank Premises \$1,000,000.
And carry forward to
next year about \$3,422,000.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 20th day of January, 1941, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land near Tai Shui Hang, Demarcation District 169, New Territories in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements.	Contents			Annual Rental.	Upset Price.
				N.	S.	E.		
1	Lot No. 6	near Tai Shui Hang	As per sole plan	131.300	302	1.568	\$	\$

No person shall be eligible to bid at the sale who has not previously delivered to the auctioneer a written approval signed by His Excellency the Governor or by an officer duly authorised by him in that behalf. Such approval to be applied for at the Colonial Secretary's Office not later than 18. 1. 41.

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B.W.O.F. GRANT TO BRITISH RED CROSS

Supplies Shipped To Middle East

A further sum of £2,000 has been remitted to the British Red Cross, England, out of the balance of funds with the Hon. Treasurer of the British War Organisation. This make a total of £30,528 8/8 to date.

In addition, ten cases of hospital supplies, woolen garments and old clothes have been shipped to British Red Cross, England, and one case of woolen garments to the Royal Naval Depot by the courtesy of the Glen Line Ltd.

A beginning has also been made with supplies to the Middle East. Shipments to date have reached a total of 202 cases.

The following appeared in the latest fortnightly Summary of Work issued by the British Red Cross:

"During the weeks ending Oct. 5 the Central Hospital Service Supply Department received more than 10,000 gifts from overseas and nearly 33,000 from Home sources. The largest consignment came from Hong Kong, it contained 6,790 items."

strengthened to the utmost to secure that end. The personal contacts which Mr. Willkie will be able to make with members of the British Government will enable him to get a clearer insight into the requirements which Britain and her allies urgently need. This knowledge will be invaluable to him as the head of "big business" in America and it is equally certain that he will then be in the best position of the big business class to influence wavemakers on the necessity for giving Britain the materials she needs for keeping the war out of the United States.

THE ATTEMPT made by the Kennedyites to use the "keep out of war" slogan as ground for seeking peace with the aggressors and to oppose the President's policy of helping Britain thus becomes even more futile—particularly so when neither Mr. Kennedy nor his supporters have tried to specify the kind of peace which they feel should be sought. That is the all important question today. There is no doubt that the whole world looks anxiously towards a permanent and lasting peace, but, in view of the havoc which the forces of might have wrought in Europe and the threat which they still hold out to the rest of the world, certain conditions must be fulfilled before that peace is obtained. Otherwise, the same thought of how long peace will last will continue to haunt the world. There is a vast majority of opinion in the United States today which favours the entry of America into the war as an ally of Britain, China and Greece—the three countries who are at present actively resisting aggression—as the best way to secure this permanent peace. Mr. Kennedy and his supporters belong to the group that fears that aid to Britain will bring about American participation in the hostilities, but they have failed to specify at which point this aid will put the United States in the war. Neither have they tried to indicate what they propose the country should do were Britain defeated. Appeasers, therefore, will find no support in the American policy of today which is firmly convinced that the only way to keep the war out of the United States is by total aid for democracy. It is this policy which the President is determined to pursue with the least possible delay.

NOTHING IS, perhaps, further from Mr. Willkie's mind. After his numerous public declarations of his determination to support the administration to the best of his ability in order to secure a unified policy for the Government, Mr. Willkie's visit to Britain has to be regarded as having been decided in the same spirit of co-operation which he has showed since he lost his election fight for presidential candidacy. At no time has he shown that he is in favour of appeasing the aggressors and his most recent statement that everything should be done to keep the war out of America means nothing else than that he is in full agreement that the democracies must be

CONFUSED RUMANIAN POSITION

SPLIT IN IRON GUARD

"The behaviour of the different factions in Rumania must seem most contrary and the situation there is, indeed, most confused," said MR. D. J. HALL, BBC news commentator, who recently returned to London from Bucharest, in the course of a broadcast talk from Daventry.

BRIEF RESISTANCE

"Herr Hitler, however, is anxious that the outside world should be confused as to what is happening there. When the Germans took control of the country, there was some show of resistance as the Rumanians as a whole were not ready to submit to their rule and during a brief period it did look as if they would make a stand against the Germans.

"This feeling, however, quickly passed away, as there was no one in the country to lead the angry elements and the situation today has become increasingly chaotic.

IRON GUARD DIVIDED

"The Iron Guard has now become divided— one party supports General Antonescu and the other has formed a party of their own. In the meantime, the Germans are moving more and more troops into the country, but it is not certain whether the state of anarchy which now prevails in the country exactly suits the Germans.

"They are anxious to get valuable oil supplies in Rumania and they fear that the risk they have taken might go too far, and that with the country thrown into confusion, the dangers of sabotage are likely to constantly increase.

"The Rumanians really hate the Germans, but the reports now coming from the country must be treated with caution, since Rumania is more or less closed to the outside world."

FIGHTER COMMAND NEW CHIEF



Air Vice-Marshal W. Sholto Douglas, who has been appointed Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Fighter Command, photographed as he left the Air Ministry.

MISSING CAR LOCATED

A car reported as missing last night was found within three-quarters-of-an-hour.

The vehicle, an Austin, No. 1382, belonging to Mr. D. W. Waterton, Senior Inspector of Wireless, was reported stolen while parked outside the Kowloon Bowling Green Club between 3.30 and 9.30 p.m.

About 10.15 the car was located in Chatham Road, near Observatory Road, by Sub-Inspect Chiu Po-ying.

JAPANESE ASSAULT ON N.E.I. WILL START AT BORNEO, SAY STRATEGISTS

If Japan makes its anticipated assault upon the Netherlands East Indies, strategists believe the initial attack will be made at Java but upon Borneo with the oil refining and the shipping of the city of Balikpapan as the first objective, writes Hallett Abend, in the Manila Bulletin.

Dutch authorities in Balikpapan, Borneo, Netherlands East Indies, continue ceaselessly preparing and are exercising unceasing vigilance.

The Straits of Macassar between Borneo and Celebes are continuously patrolled by small gun-boats and minelayers, while airplanes are scouting the seas within a radius of 400 miles from day-break to sunset, guarding against a surprise invasion.

HAZARDOUS APPROACHES

Balikpapan is more heavily mined than Batavia and Macassar, the minefields extending miles seaward. For safety the channel is frequently changed. So hazardous have approaches been made that all vessels entering or leaving the harbour are preceded by minesweepers with outspread paravanes. Also, the ports are opened for arrivals and departures only between the hours of 6 a.m. and 3 p.m.

The prison at Balikpapan already is holding several scores of Japanese and several hundred others have been transported to Java prisons and are serving long terms. These men in the guise of fishermen were found within forbidden waters. Many boats have been confiscated and entire crews swiftly tried and convicted.

DAY OF TENSION

Early in December there was one day of extreme tension in Balikpapan when a Japanese tanker arrived seeking a cargo of fuel oil and it was found that the tanker had a crew upwards of 500, all of them naval cadets. The commander of the tanker claimed the cadets were making a training cruise.

Despite Japanese protests not a single person was permitted to land. The tanker was hastily filled and escorted outside the minefields before 3 p.m.

Royal Dutch Shell built and owns most of Balikpapan, and has tens of millions of guilders invested there. The company has pipelines draining three fields in the interior, one of which is up-

wards of 70 miles distant in the heart of the jungles.

OIL PLANTS

The town's oil plants are mostly located on the inland side with a long, hilly point of land projecting between the ocean and the bay, with the latter stretching 50 miles inland and affording admirable anchorages for a large fleet of trading boats.

Guarding the harbour's entrance is a hilly point today defended by ever-growing numbers of anti-aircraft guns and long range artillery, but so far defence has principally been based on mines and aircraft.

The production of Borneo's oil fields is steadily declining but the refineries are so large and costly that Dutch and British tankers are now taking immense cargoes of crude oil there from Sumatra and other fields in the archipelago.

In Balikpapan, as elsewhere in the Netherlands East Indies, all docks, refineries, pipelines and oil wells are already mined and will be totally destroyed rather than permitted to fall into Japanese hands. The destruction is systematically planned on such an extensive scale that experts estimate it would require at least two years before Japan could resume profitable production even if it conquered that world's fourth largest island.

A conference on administrative reforms in the 3rd, 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th Administrative Districts in Szechuan is scheduled and will be presided over by Gen. Chang Chun, Chairman of Szechuan.

The food problem will be the chief topic of discussion. Other items on the agenda include readjustment of local finance, land de-

claration, opium suppression, enforcement of the new District Autonomy system, mass education, military labour service, and pacification. (Central News).

Position In Southern Pacific More Critical, Says Mr. Bartlett

"The war, to some extent, has now become a race between two outstanding men—President Roosevelt and Adolf Hitler," said MR. VERNON BARTLETT, M.P., commentator on international affairs, when he broadcast from London yesterday.

"Germany's only hope is to win the war before the United States can send us supplies in such quantities that will prevent him from winning it," went on Mr. Bartlett.

NEXT SIX MONTHS

"The next six months, therefore, will be the most hectic imaginable. The Nazis will create as much trouble as they can and will have to take the initiative to delay or postpone this help that has been promised us.

"It is in this connexion that the position in the Southern Pacific has become more critical. It is probable that for two reasons Herr Hitler has been urging the Japanese and the Germans who have been sent to the Mediterranean to help Italy are expected now to remain on the Italian side of that sea and this means that they will have to operate against Britain over a considerable distance.

"At the same time there is no doubt that they will be able to hamper British shipping and this fact has been lost sight of by us."

SITUATION IN LIBYA

Turning to the situation in Libya, Mr. Bartlett said that it now seemed certain that the capture of Tobruk was now only a matter of time. The position of the Italians in Albania was just as bad.

"Everywhere the Italians must be reflecting bitterly on Signor Mussolini's attempts to build a new empire with command of the sea," said Mr. Bartlett.

"I do not think it would be wise to say more than that we are more determined than ever to see that the Greeks have not made their sacrifices in vain. Yugoslavia and Turkey are just as interested as we are in the Nazi pressure on Bulgaria and there is the danger for Herr Hitler that they will be involved in the war if German troops have to pass through Bulgaria.

All this may hasten an attempt by the Nazis to invade the British Isles, though the prospects of making a landing on British soil have grown smaller than ever. The more one thinks of this, the less one can see of any chance of success for Herr Hitler."

NEWSETTES

A war-time intercession service was held in the St. Andrew's Church yesterday evening, the Rev. H. A. Wittenbach officiating.

A Charity Performance will be held at the French Convent, Causeway Bay, on Friday, Jan. 17, at 5.30 p.m.

A Requiem Mass was held yesterday morning at the Rosary Church for the late Rev. Mother Biffi, who was killed in the recent bombing of Watchow Island.

The death occurred on October 16, killed in action, of Pilot Officer Anthony Beresford Tisdall, R.A.F., aged, 21, dearly loved son of Hilda and Beresford D. Tisdall, Commissioner of Customs, China.

The distribution of certificates and prizes of the Sayangpun Vernacular School for Boys (Vernacular Middle School) will be held on Monday, Jan. 20, at 11 a.m. Mr. J. Ralston, M.A., Senior Inspector of Schools, will present the awards.

The Chinese in British Malaya were urged to co-operate closely with the local British authorities in the defence of the area by Gen. Wu Te-chen, Minister of Overseas Affairs and China's Goodwill Envoy to the South Sea Islands. Gen. Wu is returning to China via Burma. He left Singapore for Rangoon on Jan. 11, says Central News.

Funeral services were held in Shanghai, on Jan. 7, for the late Mr. John Phillip Tomlin, aged 52 years, husband of the late Mrs. Emmie Tomlin. A Requiem Mass was celebrated at the Church of Christ the King by the Reverend Father J. F. Magner, S.J. in the morning. Interment took place at the Hunglao Road Cemetery in the afternoon when Father Magner read the last rites of the Roman Catholic Faith.

LEASE AND LEND BILL PASS REPRESENTATIVES

Administration Wins First Brush With Congress

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—The first step to rush the Lease and Lend Bill through Congress was taken yesterday when a vote in the House of Representatives cleared the way for the Bill to come before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House.

An effort by the Military Affairs Committee to bring the measure under its control was defeated. The vote was taken without a debate as the rules of House allow no discussion on such an issue.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, will be the first witness at today's hearing.

The vote is regarded as a victory for the Administration in the first brush with Congress over the Bill.

Support appears to be steadily growing for the suggestion that Britain should be requested to post the bulk of her remaining dollar holdings in the United States against materials to be supplied under the Lease and Lend plan.

PROPOSAL ENDORSED

The influential Washington Post endorses the proposal but recalls Mr. Andrew Mellon's statement in the War Debts debate that a good customer in Europe is worth more in dollars and cents than all war debts lumped together and asks, "Are we going to intensify the improvement of Europe which might then be our outstanding problem as well as theirs?"

It also draws attention to the possibility of using the Lease and Lend Bill and any provision in it, for posting collateral in order to cushion the world generally in the period of post-war re-adjustment.

The newspaper suggests the use of part of Britain's overseas assets to buy foodstuffs and materials necessary to put post-war Europe back on its feet.

WILKIE SUPPORT

Meanwhile, Mr. Wendell Willkie's support of the Lease and Lend Bill, which has been heartily welcomed by the Administration and most of the Democrats, may determine his future position and influence in the Republican Party.

Certainly his statement caused a split in the Party and it remains to be seen whether he can carry the majority of the Republicans with him or whether they will go over to the Landon-Hoover group.

However, Mr. Willkie gets considerable support from the press. Staunchly, the Republican Baltimore Sun comments that he has risen above partisanship in advocating the general principle of the Bill and asking for safeguards to ensure reversion to the people of the powers that the Bill delegates to the President.

BRITISH HOLDINGS

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, United States Secretary of Treasury, disclosed that the British Government is negotiating with large groups of American investment trusts for the sale of British investments in the United States.

Mr. Morgenthau said, "One very large group of investment trusts has made one offer and another group will make an offer tomorrow." He added that Sir Frederick Phillips, the British Treasury representative now in Washington, had informed him that the British Government was "ready to do business with them."

Mr. Morgenthau said that he could not estimate the amount of securities that might be involved or disclose the identity of the companies which might buy them.

The British were encountering no great difficulty in selling American securities regularly traded on organized exchanges. The Federal Board recently placed the value of these investments at \$250,000,000.

TIME LIMIT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—Suggestion of a possible attempt to impose a time limit on the powers given to President Roosevelt under the Aid for Britain Bill was made at the press conference held by Mr. Sam Raeburn, Speaker of the House of Representatives, yesterday.

Mr. Raeburn said that he would not oppose the imposition of the time limit provided it "ran concurrently with the emergency."

GIVE VERBAL APPROVAL

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being flown across the Atlantic for the use of the R.A.F. They comprise the LOCKHEED-HUDSON long-range reconnaissance bombers, the BOEING B17 four-engined fighters, two-engined flying boats and LOCKHEED bombers.

LIQUIDATE INVESTMENTS

According to an Australian message, Britain is considering the liquidation of British investments in America, valued at £332,000.

TAFT'S VIEWS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—Senator Taft, one of the leading members of the Foreign Affairs Committee, advocates an outright scrapping of the Bill and will offer a counter-proposal calling for cash loans to Britain if, and when, needed.

The most important thing for Congress to do, said Senator Taft today, was to refuse the President such broad powers and to keep the aid for Britain separate from the United States defence.

He added that in his view a loan to Britain should be advanced when the British assets are exhausted.

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It was also announced in the Australian message that Gen. Soddu was displaced owing to the fall of Kilia and this is taken to indicate the distrust and demoralisation which exists in the Italian High Command.

MENZIES TO VISIT LONDON



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THAI ARTILLERY FIRE ON VIENTIANE FOR HOUR

HANOI, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—Admiral Decoux, Governor-General of Indo-China, in a communiqué, says that on Jan. 11 Thai planes bombed Kepkebao and Napheng and on Jan. 12 Thai artillery fired on Vientiane for one hour while at Paklay, on the border 95 miles west of Vientiane, Lao and Thai infantry exchanged fire.

The communiqué denies the reports that the Indo-Chinese forces have withdrawn 50 kilometres from the border near Sisopon or that Japanese naval forces have asked permission to land at Saigon.

ENEMY RETREAT

SINGAPORE, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—A Thai Consulate communiqué says that in the north-eastern sector the Thai forces, supported by the air force, advanced and attacked the enemy shelling Thai territories and the enemy retreated.

In the eastern sector the enemy continued to retreat leaving many dead and a quantity of arms and ammunition.

Thai forces occupied abandoned positions and continued to pursue the enemy.

THAI RETALIATION

BANGKOK, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—According to the High Command, two French planes bombed Nakhonpanom on Sunday, causing casualties to civilians. The Thai Air Force retaliated and raided Suvarnabhumi with satisfactory results. All bombers returned.

JAPANESE SUPPLIES

TOKYO, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—No Japanese are taking any practical interest in the Franco-Thai conflict, Mr. Ishii declared.

When asked, in an interview given to foreign Pressmen by Mr. Koh Ishii, deputy spokesman of the Japanese Board of Information, whether there is any change in Japan's policy in regard to the supply of war materials to Thailand and French Indo-China since the outbreak of the fighting between these two countries, Mr. Ishii admitted that Japan had sold several small gunboats and other warships to Thailand a long time ago, but he stated that no large amount of war materials had since been sold to Thailand by Japan.

DEATH OF GEN. CHU CHING-LAN

The death occurred in Siam of General Chu Ching-ian, member of the National Relief Commission, at the age of 58.

Gen. Chu, formerly an army commander and ardent public welfare worker, has been undertaking relief work for the numerous refugees in various places despite his advanced age since the outbreak of the present Sino-Japanese hostilities.

Born in Shaoxing, Chekiang, the deceased first served under the Manchu Regime as Commander of 17th Army and Inspector-General of Hailungkang. After the overthrow of the Manchu Regime he became Civil Governor of Kwangtung.

In recent years, he has devoted himself to famine relief work in China and served as a member of the National Famine Relief Commission since 1930.

Gen. Chu was well-known among both Chinese and foreigners for the integrity of his character and personality.—(Central News).

Aerodromes Bombed On Sudan Frontier

The latest R.A.F. communiqué from Cairo announces the bombing of aerodromes on the Sudan frontier on Jan. 12 and 13. Two hangars were destroyed, three hit and several fires started among administrative buildings.

At least nine aircraft on the ground, which are believed to be German, were destroyed, says a London message.

Another enemy aerodrome at Beni was also attacked and a night raid was also carried out in East Africa on the same dates.

NOTHING FRESH

The latest military communiqué from Cairo states that there is nothing fresh to report on the Libyan front but that patrol activities continue on the Sudan frontier.

The R.A.F. are also helping to round up Italians who are still wandering about in the Bardia region.

One R.A.F. fighter pilot saw about 150 Italians wandering about the shore. He circled over them until British troops arrived and took them prisoner.

South African warships are now co-operating with the British Navy outside South African waters and a flotilla of minesweepers has joined the Royal Navy.

OVERSEAS CAPITAL SOUGHT FOR KWANGSI DEVELOPMENT

To develop war-time economy and replenish national resources for prosecuting the war of resistance, the Kwangsi Provincial Relief Association is inviting capital investment by overseas Chinese in Malaya for the reclamation of waste land in the province.

A total area of 166,000 mow of undeveloped land in the Liu River valley in northern Kwangsi has been marked out for reclamation. The area will be parcelled out in 12 districts, each to be operated by a reclamation company.

IN PROSPECTUS SOLICITING INVESTMENT

In a prospectus soliciting investment, the Association promises to give every possible assistance and facility to overseas Chinese investors. It is estimated that for the reclamation of a district of 10,000 mow to 20,000 mow, a sum of from \$20,000 to \$500,000 will be required.

COMPLETE RECLAMATION

The project aims at the increase of production of agricultural produce. Pending the complete reclamation of the waste land, potato, corns, beans and peanuts will be cultivated in the first few years. It is estimated that 500 cattle of potato can be produced on each mow of the reclaimed land. Grant facilities and safe conduct to all women and children if their evacuation is agreed to by Rome.

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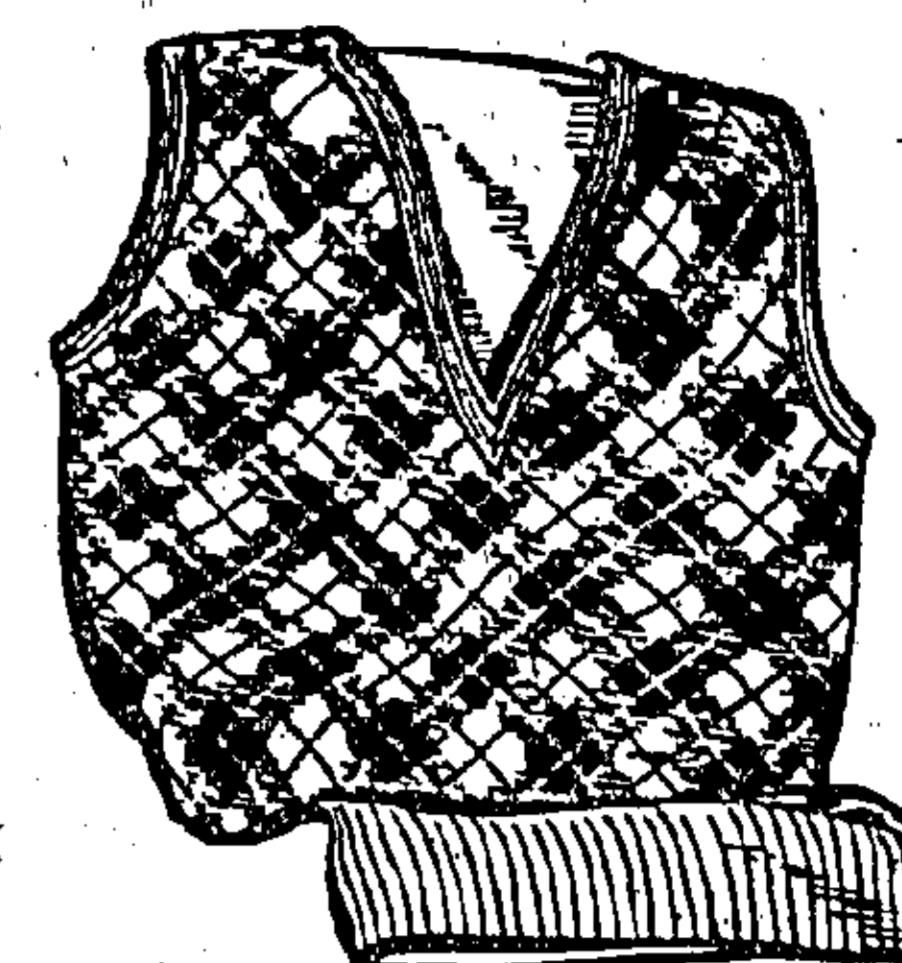
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BANDOENG, JAVA, Jan. 3—The newspaper Preangerbode, commenting on President Roosevelt's recent fireside talk, declared today that a strong Dutch East Indies and a strong Philippines are necessary to prevent a Japanese-American war.

Preangerbode said an increase in the strength of these countries would "make the New Order in East Asia still more illusory and decrease the probability of a Japanese-American war."

Fortunately, the weather had moderated and it was possible to get a sail up. By one of those extraordinary chances which occur at sea they fell in with the San Demetrio again. This time they got aboard.

STILL BURNING

She was white hot amidships, her bridge and accommodation were gutted. There was a fierce fire still burning aft, and she was down by the bows. Down below, the engineers set about getting steam on the pumps in an engine room flooded to the floor plates.

On deck the remaining hands fought the fire with buckets and fire extinguishers, chipping the burning cork insulation off.

There was gasoline washing over the decks, and every time the ship pitched more gasoline gushed up through the shell splinter holes.

By 5:30 p.m. the chief engineer had 80lb. steam pressure, and the hoses could be used instead of buckets. By daybreak next day all the fires were out and most of the rents in the decks and upper works were plugged, a job which the American particularly delighted in, being up to his neck in the sea most of the time.

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ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

TRAFFIC SUMMONSES

Dr. Roy Mar, of Oi Kwan Building, Nos. 63-65 Des Voeux Road Central, fifth floor, was summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday for parking his car for more than two hours at the Connaught Road Car Park on Jan. 3. Pleading guilty through a representative, defendant was fined \$5.

Shun Sheung Fook, c/o National Store at No. 16, Boundary Street, Kowloon, summoned for driving his car at a speed of 38 miles per hour within the built-up area at Hennessy Road on Dec. 30 last was fined \$10.

Defendant said that he was driving at 30 miles per hour only, and that he, being owner of the Sheum Circus, was in a hurry to get to the circus at Causeway Bay.

Summoned for a similar offence, driving a trolley at a speed between 30 and 32 miles per hour in excess of the 15-miles-per-hour limit on King's Road on Dec. 30 last, Chow Pak of No. 45, Sai Street, second floor, was cautioned. It was stated that the road was clear and there was no danger of an accident at that time.

MURDER CHARGE

A journalist appeared before Mr. Sheldon yesterday on a murder charge.

Defendant was Lo King-yu, 32, of No. 43, Tai Street, ground floor, who was alleged to have murdered Li Wal-tsun at No. 78, Marble Road, third floor, on Dec. 5 last.

Hearing of the case was fixed for Feb. 4 at 2.30 p.m.

Det. Sub-Inspect. W. N. Darkin is in charge of the case.

POSSESSION OF WILD TREES

"I make a point that these are all young trees," remarked Sgt. W. L. Kinloch before Major A. N. Macfadyen yesterday in the prosecution of an unemployed earth coolie, Cheung Wng, 28, of no fixed abode, charged with possession of 15 wild trees, valued at \$75, at No. 3(E) Government Plantation, near Island Road, on Jan. 13.

Defendant was ordered to pay a fine of \$75, or, in default, serve a term of three months' imprisonment, to be followed by expulsion.

WOMAN GAOL

Chan Sau-chuen, a woman charged with stealing a quantity of clothing by a trick on three different occasions, appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday, and was sentenced to one month's hard labour.

Det. Sgt. J. R. Sykes prosecuted.

MAINTENANCE CASE

A summons for maintenance was brought by Mrs. Blok, alias Chan Yuet-ting, against G. H. Blok before Mr. Sheldon, yesterday. It was alleged that Blok, being husband of complainant, his legal wife, had wilfully neglected to provide reasonable maintenance for her since Jan. 1, 1941. Defendant, it was stated, was in Singapore.

Mrs. Blok stated that when defendant left he took their marriage certificate but she managed to obtain a copy of it.

According to witness, Blok agreed on May 26, 1939, to pay her \$75 a month maintenance through the Court. The last payment was on Nov. 27 last for December. On Jan. 6, she was handed a letter written by Blok by the Court, notifying that he was stopping payment, since he had left the Colony.

The case was adjourned to Thursday at 11.30 a.m.

EARTH COOLIE FINED

An unemployed earth coolie, Au Hing, 32, was charged before Major Macfadyen on two counts, namely, trespassing on No. 5 (F) Government Plantation, near Chung Hom, on Jan. 13 without lawful authority or excuse, and possessing two fresh pine trees, valued at \$10, at the said plantation on the same day, reasonably suspected of having been stolen or unlawfully obtained.

When arrested, defendant had a chop in his possession. Fine of \$10 on each charge, or the alternative of 14 days' hard labour, was imposed.

Sgt. Kinloch prosecuted.

THEFT FROM DOCKS

Charged with stealing nine and a half pounds of nuts and bolts from the Takkoo Docks on Jan. 13 before Major Macfadyen yesterday, Fun Wah, 21, unemployed boiler maker, was fined \$30 or two months' hard labour.

GAOL TERM FOR UNEMPLOYED

Tse Ming, 35, unemployed, appeared before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday on a charge of stealing five pairs of new shoes from the ground floor of No. 170 Wellington Street on Jan. 13.

Prosecuting, Det. Sgt. W. Summers said that defendant was seen on the street, carrying a basket containing the shoes, by two Chinese detectives at 5 a.m. on Jan. 13. He was taken back on suspicion to the police station, where he admitted that he had stolen from the shop at the said address, after breaking open a showcase.

The shoes were valued at \$25. Defendant was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour.

BANISHEE IN COURT

Alleged to have stolen a rattan suitcase containing 21 pieces of clothing from a coolie, Wan Wei, 40, of no fixed abode, a 26-year-old unemployed, Yam Sing, of no fixed abode, appeared before Mr. Lowry yesterday.

Banished from the Colony in March last, defendant was further charged with breach of a deportation order.

Sentence of six weeks' hard labour for each charge was imposed, both terms to be run concurrently.

THREAT ALLEGED

Hearing of the case in which Wong Hah-long and Cheung King-ho were charged with having conspired with another, not in custody, to threaten Tang King-wai, with injury to his person to force the latter to drop the prosecution of an action in the Supreme Court against first defendant and the Kin Kee Trading Company was continued before Mr. Lowry yesterday.

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BAIL ESTREATED

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MARCEY BY SERVANT

Tsau Chuk, 16, shop coolie, Tang Yat, 34, fitter, and Ho Yung, 35, fitter, all employees of the Pata Shoe Co., were charged before Mr. K.M.A. Barnett with larceny by servant of three pounds of threads, valued at \$9.60.

It was stated that the Police received a telephone call from the Pata Co. about 11.30 a.m. informing them that three employees had been detained in the shop. Defendants admitted that they had sold three pounds of threads to a marine hawk.

AT KOWLOON

SORDID TALE RELATED

The story of how a 14-year-old girl was induced to marry a man almost thrice of her age and deserted by her husband after having been found too young to be a wife, was related before Mr. Hinsworth yesterday when Ho

GENERAL

Man Who Opened Fire At Police Officer Is Sentenced At Sessions

A man who fired at Sgt. Miles Matheson, of the Hongkong Police, in an attempt to evade apprehension at Lokmachi on Dec. 13 last, was arraigned before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday afternoon.

The man, Man Shui, alias Ng Lorusap, in passing sentence of 15 months' hard labour and 14 surces or the cane on WONG SANG, who pleaded guilty to robbery with violence at Ping Shan on Dec. 10 last.

HAD HAND-GRENADE Charged with attempted robbery aboard a junk in the waters of the Colony on Oct. 10 and possession of a pistol, one round of ammunition and a hand-grenade at Cheungshawan, MAK KAM-SAU, alias Mak Sau, was sentenced to two years' imprisonment with hard labour.

DEEP BAY ROBBERY Charged with a junk robbery at Deep Bay on Dec. 10, and possession of two rifles, three revolvers, 160 rounds of ammunition and 15 empty cartridge cases, and MOK KEI, alias Mok Lai, and WONG CHOI, charged with being accessories after the fact, were each sentenced to two-and-a-half years' hard labour.

It was stated by Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, that Tsoi and Lau were at present serving sentences for breach of deportation orders.

COWARDLY OFFENCE "It was a cowardly offence. You fat, were also each sentenced to terms of 15 months' imprisonment.

Sui-foon, 28, married woman, residing at No. 63, Sal Kung Road, was charged with possession of two wards without giving notice to the S.C.A.

Inspector H.W. Fraser of the S.C.A., prosecuting, said that on Dec. 19 last a 15-year-old girl, called on the S.C.A. She complained that she had been driven out by her husband and was then sleeping at Queen's Road.

Inquiries showed that the girl had been presented to defendant at an early age. On Dec. 11 she was induced to marry a 41-year-old man who after some unsuccessful relations with the girl turned her out into the streets.

The girl was taken to the address where another unregistered ward, Lo Lin-17, was found in defendant's possession.

Accused was fined \$25 for both charges.

RECLAMATION ST. ASSAULT

How a man attempted to get back the valuables, which he had given to a waitress, and was finally assaulted, was told before Mr. Hinsworth yesterday when Tang Leung, 29, shop boy, was charged with assault.

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"Taiyuan" 20.8.37. H.KONG 1 Paper Card

"Shantung" 26.11.37. CHC 6 Book

"Klungchow" 30.11.37. CHC 7 Book

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ANGLO-SINO-U.S. FRONT SUPREMELY CONFIDENT

SINGAPORE, Jan. 2—Various high American, British and Chinese officials in the course of the last three weeks told me that the Anglo-Sino-American front in Asia enters the new year supremely confident and determined to protect their interests, forcibly wherever necessary, writes John R. Morris in the Manila Bulletin.

£20,000 IN BOX 26 YEARS

ROMANTIC LAW COURTS STORY

"A most romantic story," said Mr. Justice Morton, in the Chancery Division when told that securities now of the value of £20,000 lay in a tin box from 1912 until 1938, when a woman, who had been a street flower-seller, was about to be taken to a "poor house."

The judge had before him a summons taken out by Westminster Bank Ltd., the administrators of Nathan William Perrott, Caroline Perrott and Caroline Elizabeth Barker.

The respondents were Mrs. Caroline Kate Newman, wife of William Newman, of Theberton-street, Islington, who claimed to be a grand-daughter of Nathan William Perrott and to be interested in his estate under his intestacy, and Mrs. Elizabeth Harris, wife of Henry Harris, of Oakbridge-road, Bromley, Kent, who claimed to be a niece of Nathan William Perrott and entitled to benefit under the intestacy.

Mr. Wilfrid Hunt, for the bank, said that Nathan William Perrott died in October, 1912. The question raised was whether the court could presume his marriage with Caroline Perrott, who survived him some three months, and also died intestate.

Explaining the delay in finding out about the fortune, Mr. Hunt said that Nathan, a wood-turner, and Caroline Perrott lived together with their daughter Elizabeth.

When Caroline died Elizabeth Perrott earned her living sometimes by selling flowers in the street and sometimes as an office-cleaner.

NEVER OPENED

It was suggested in 1938 that she should go into a poor-house, and Miss Perrott was asked if she had any relatives or "papers." She said her father had left an old locked tin box, but as there was no key it had never been opened. The box was broken open and it was found to contain notes to the value of £8,000 or £10,000, representing money at the bank, and there were several thousands

WIFE CHARGES HUSBAND WITH MIXING GROUND GLASS IN FAMILY'S BREAKFAST

Candida Subido, 29-year-old mother of two children, living in Manila, thought it strange when her husband rose up early morning to prepare their breakfast. Since they had been quarrelling the last few days, the sudden change brought joy to her heart, but their gladness was transformed to horror when scarcely an hour after her husband had fed her children and departed, she found ground glass in the food, reports the Manila Bulletin.

She took her children to the hospital where she found her suspicion to be true. Attending physicians were able to retrieve from the stomachs of mother and children quantities of finely ground glass. Suffering from convulsions, the three were confined at the Philippine General Hospital.

To police investigators Candida revealed that her husband, Medardo Seneca, 30, left their residence at 1012 Hth. 4 F. Munoz, Paco, after their quarrel last Nov. 16. She said she knew her husband was infatuated with a taxi dancer in barrio Olimpia, San Pedro Makati, but he went to live with them again on Christmas Eve. Thursday night they quarreled because she would not let him go to the cabaret and he threatened to kill the whole family, she said.

She forgot all about the threat, she continued, and wearied by the day's household work, she fell asleep. She woke up about 5.30 o'clock the next morning to see Medardo preparing breakfast. Later she saw him feed the children while she finished her washing.

CUT HER GUMS

About half an hour after Medardo had gone, she sat down to eat. She was halfway through her breakfast when she cut her gums on a sharp object which she found to be a piece of ground glass.

During this period I have travelled from Tokyo by way of Shanghai, Hongkong and Manila to Singapore—the heart of Britain's Far Eastern defense system and the world's largest naval base, which doubtless would be available to the U.S. as well as the British navy if we ever needed it.

NAVAL DETERMINATION Vice Admiral Geoffrey Layton, commander in chief of the British China station, told me at his headquarters that "I can say for the navy we are determined to protect British interests and possessions in this part of the world as anywhere."

Continued the admiral: "Activity out here is now largely confined to protection of trade—hunting down enemy raiders in these waters, the Indian ocean and elsewhere. I cannot say exactly how long this will take but I can say 'certainly' as there will be 365 days in 1941."

Meanwhile, some losses to merchantmen must be considered inevitable, but this results merely in inconvenience and in no vital damage.

The spirit in the fleet out here is magnificent. The only difficulty is to check the crews who are bored by the monotony of patrol duty and are eagerly awaiting the signal to fire."

EQUAL CONFIDENCE Sir Shenton Thomas, Governor General of the Colony, received me early this week and discussed the situation with equal confidence.

Chungking's minister of overseas affairs, General Wu Tchen, who is now touring Malaya, told the United Press: "China is growing stronger as Japan is growing weaker."

Numerous American officials whom I recently interviewed expressed deep satisfaction with the present state of our preparedness in the Pacific area and the progress of our further preparations for any eventuality.

of pounds of Government stocks. It was stated that search for the certificate of marriage of Nathan and Caroline had proved unavailing.

Mr. Justice Morton decided that the bank should be at liberty to deal with the estate on the footing that Nathan William Perrott was married to Caroline before the births of Elizabeth Perrott and Caroline Elizabeth Barker.

Finance and Commerce

Japan's Huge National Debt

TOKYO, Jan. 14 (Reuters)—Japan's national debt in the form of domestic and foreign bonds at the end of last year totalled Yen 28,253,200,000, according to an official announcement by the Ministry of Finance.

These figures indicate an increase of Yen 1,300,300,000 from the total at the end of November and an increase of Yen 6,733,000 compared to that of last year.

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

Bargain hunters are on the lookout for most stocks, but are not meeting with success.

Buyers

Union Ins., \$405.

H.K. Fire Ins., \$165.

Wharves, \$94.

Trams, \$18.10.

Star Ferries, \$61.

Lights Rts., 95 Cts.

Telephones (O), \$25.20.

Dairy Farms, \$19.10.

Entertainments, \$7.

Constructions (O), \$1.60.

Sellers

Electrics (O), \$40.25.

Cements, \$18.60.

Ropes, \$8.25.

Vibro Piling, \$7.70.

RICE HOARDING IN SHANGHAI: PROFITEERS TO BE PROSECUTED

After taking drastic measures in Chungking and other areas in free China, where one banker has been shot and numerous officials and merchants have been arrested for hoarding goods, General Chiang Kai-shek is now reported by the Shing Sheng News Agency to be turning his attention to the deplorable hoarding situation in Shanghai, reports the North China Daily News.

General Chiang is stated to have ordered all provincial and municipal authorities to do their best to increase the supply of rice in their respective areas and to reduce the price of the grain.

"RELATED PARTIES" plaining that merchants are still holding back their stock awaiting higher prices. One report states that most of the rice stored in godowns here was bought before November of last year and that if it is sold at the present price level, the merchants can make more than \$10 a picul. Still they are not willing to sell.

GODOWN INVESTIGATION

Meanwhile, authorities of both foreign areas are reported by the "National Herald" to have sent representatives to investigate rice godowns here to find out the quantities of rice stored and the time when the grain was bought.

If the report is true, then the authorities have at last done what the Chinese press and the late Mayor Fu Siao-en urged them to do long ago. The consensus of opinion among the Chinese is that in order to strike at the root of the problem, such investigations should be made.

If the rice has been stored for a long time, the merchants who own it must be asked to sell it at a reasonable price otherwise confiscation would be in order. After the rice is confiscated, it may be distributed to the public at a low price.

FOR THE POOR

The poor will sigh with relief today as the eighth distribution of broken Saigon rice (amounting to about 30,000 bags) will be conducted by 60 rice shops in both foreign areas, commencing on Jan. 7 for 15 days under the direction of the Shanghai Rice Distribution Committee.

As usual, the police will keep order in front of the rice shops. Owing to the approach of the Lunar New Year, there was increased demand for rice in the Shanghai Rice Market but merchants hoarding the grain were

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE, SHARPBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	TUESDAY 14 JAN.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
...	\$1380	H.K. Banks	...	...	...	\$1380
...	282	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...	...	...	282
...	2784	Do. (Lon. Reg.)	...	...	...	2784
...	27	Chartered Banks	...	...	...	27
...	2104	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	...	2104
...	775	Mercantile Bks. "C"	...	...	...	775
...	Bank of East Asia	...	...	...	12 ct.
...	N. C. & S. Banks	...	...	...	...
...	Insurances	...	...	...	...
\$405	\$205	Canton Insurances	...	...	...	\$205
...	\$1	Union Insurances	...	...	...	\$406
\$167	...	\$167	...	Underwriters	...	...	80 ct.	\$165
...	H.K. Fire	...	...	...	...
...	Shipping	...	...	...	...
...	Douglas	...	...	...	\$125
...	Steamboats	...	...	...	\$15
...	Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	...	...	...	\$100
...	Indo-Chinas (Def.)	...	...	...	\$100
...	Shells	...	...	...	463
...	Waterboats	...	...	...	87
...	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. & E. Wharves	\$94	\$5.75	...	...
...	Providents	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Docks (Old)	\$18.40	...	...	\$18
...	H.K. Docks (New)	...	...	...	\$354
...	+ Shanghai Docks	...	...	...	...
...	Mining	...	...	...	...
...	Kailans	16/3	...	...	...
...	Raubs	77	...	...	...
...	Hong Kong Mines	...	...	...	...
...	Lands, Hotels and Buildings	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. & S. Hotels	\$3.46	\$34.60	\$34	...
...	H.K. Lands	...	...	...	...
...	Do. 4% Debentures	...	...	...	\$100
...	Shanghai Lands	...	...	...	\$3.85
...	H.K. Realtors	...	...	...	...
...	Humphreys	...	...	...	...
...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...	...
...	Cotton Mills	...	...	...	...
...	Ewo (S)	...	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Cottons (S)	...	...	...	...
...	Ziong Sings (S)	...	...	...	...
...	Wing On Textiles (S)	...	...	...	...
...	Public Utilities	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Tramways	\$17.90	...	...	...
...	Peak Tram (old)	...	...	...	\$7.40
...	Peak Tram (new)	...	...	...	\$34
...	Star Ferries	...	...	...	...
...	Yantai Ferries	...	...	...	...
...	China Lights (O)	...	...	...	...
...	China Lights (New)	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Electric (Old)	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Electric (New)	...	...	...	...
...	Macao Electric (Old)	...	...	...	...
...	Macao Electric (New)	...	...	...	...
...	Sandakan Lights	...	...	...	...
...</td					

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS

JANUARY, 14, 1941.

On London:—
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/3

Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/3

Credits 4 months' sight

On Shanghai:—
On demand 420On Singapore:—
On demand 52 3/4On Japan:—
On demand 103 1/2On India:—
Telegraphic Transfer 82 1/2

and demand 82 1/2

On New York:—
Bank Bills, on demand 23 7/16

Credits 60 days' sight 94 3/16

On Batavia:—
On demand 43 7/8On Paris:—
Bank Bills, on demand Nom.

Credits 4 months' sight Nom.

On Saigon:—
On demand 101 3/4On Manila:—
On demand 46 7/8On Bangkok:—
On demand 149On Sterling Notes:—
Bank Buying Rate ... Now.

Bar Silver per oz. ... 23 6/16

Market Report

FROM KOZA BROS.

Silver prices were unchanged yesterday, the quotations remaining at 23 5/16 for Ready and 23 1/4 for Forward. Silver advices reported the market as being quiet and featureless. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403 3/4.

MARKET

STERLING

Small sellers at 1/3 for near and 1/2 31/32 February/June, buyers at 1/3 31/32 for any delivery.

U. S. DOLLARS

Opened with a small seller at 23 3/4 resulting in a small business at 23 3/4 for Cash. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 23 11/16 cash and a small buyer at 23 3/4 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Sellers at 428 1/2, buyers at 429 1/2.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling at 3 1/2 and U. S. Dollars at 5 17/32, both sellers for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET

Dull.

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U. S. DOLLARS

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Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Jan. 14 (Reuter).
Official T.T. RatesOpening 03/7/16
London 03/7/16New York 5/7/16
Japan 23 1/8India 18
Paris nominal

Hongkong 22 7/8

Sterling
SellersOpening 03/1/2
Spot 03/1/2

Jan. 03/31/64 03/31/64

Feb. 03/31/64 03/31/64

U. S. Dollars
Spot 45 17/32 55 1/2

Jan. 5 1/2 5 1/2

Feb. 5 1/2 5 15/32

Market: Quiet.

Silver Duty Rate
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1 1/2 1/2

The Equalisation rate was 233 per cent.

India Rupee Paper
Bombay, Jan. 13 (Reuter).
Govt. 34% Rupee 94 09 00.Calcutta Exchange
Calcutta, Jan. 13 (Reuter).
T.T. on Japan, 61 1/4.LONDON GOLD
London, Jan. 13 (Reuter).
Bar Gold, Fine per Oz. 168 1/2NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

NEW YORK, Jan. 13, 1941.

	High	Low	Prev. Close	Today's Change
New York Cotton, March	10.54	10.48	10.55	10.48 .07 off
New York Rubber, March			20.08	20.08 .06 off
Chicago Wheat, May	87 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2 .1 up
Chicago Corn, May	62 1/2	61 1/2	62 1/2	61 1/2 .1 off
New York Hides, March	13.50	13.43	13.51	13.44 .07 off

NEW YORK COTTON Close
January 10.46 N 10.37/37 10.37 N .09 off

March 10.54/55 10.50/50 10.48/48 .06 off

May 10.55/55 10.50/51 10.49/50 .06 off

July 10.47/48 10.44/44 10.39/39 .08 off

September 9.95/95 8.89/89 9.91/91 .04 off

December 9.92/92 9.88/86 9.88/86 .06 off

Total sales Saturday:—59,300 bales.

NEW YORK RUBBER
March 20.00b 20.00b/08a 20.00b/02a .06 off

May 19.93b/95a 19.93/93 19.90/90 .03 off

July (New contract) 19.76b 19.68b/80a 19.77 N .08 up

September () 19.60b unquoted 19.62 N .02 up

Total sales:—40 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT
May 86 1/2 86 1/2 86 1/2/86 86 1/2 .1 off

July 82 1/2 82 1/2 82 1/2/81 82 1/2 .1 up

September 82 1/2 82 1/2 82 1/2/82 82 1/2 .1 up

Total sales for the day:—53 contracts.

NEW YORK COCOA
March 5.03 N 5.10/10 5.06/08 .03 up

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March 2.00b/01a 2.00b/01a unch.

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Volume of business done:—25 lots.

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March 74 1/2 74 1/2 74 1/2/76 .01 up

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March 11.08b/15a 11.00b/15a 11.13b/20a .05 up

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N.Y. Official Silver unquoted 34 3/4

NY-London Cross Rate 4.03 3/4 4.03 3/4

*Correction.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

London, Jan. 13 (Reuter).

Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, £256 7/8.

Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle Price, £259 5/8.

Market:—Steady.

SILVER MARKET
LONDON SILVER
London, Jan. 13 (Reuter).
Silver—Market very quiet and featureless. Business negligible.

Spot, 23 5/16/18d.

Forward, 23 1/4/4d.

BOMBAY SILVER
Bombay, Jan. 13 (Reuter).
Market:—Quiet. Oftake 100 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 62 03

Jun. 22 Settlement 62 02

Feb. 22 Settlement 62 03

Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan 34

1913 (Ldn Is.)

Chinese 8% Ster. Notes 10

1925 (Vickers)

after 1952 103 1/2

Defence Loan, 3% 101

Canton-Kloon Rly. 5% 13

Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 13

1898 (Brit. Issue) 44

Chinese 5% Gold Bonds 1925/47

42 47

Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French

Loan, 1908 45

Chinese 5% Crisp Loan 1912 28 1/2

28 1/2

Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Ldn Is.) 34

Chinese 8% Ster. Notes 10

1925 (Vickers)

Loan 47

Honan Rly. 5% 17

Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 15

(L.P. N.Y. Issue) 15

Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 13

(German Issue) 13

Lung Tsing & U. Ha

Rly. 5% 1913 14

S'hal-N'King Rly. 5% 16

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% 15

(Brit. Stpd.) 15

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% 15

(German Stpd.) 15

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 15

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Ger. Stpd. Supl. Loan) 15

Jap. 5% Ster. Loan, 1924 30 1/2

Ger. 7% Int'l. Loan, 1924 5 1/2

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H.K. & S'hal Bank (Ldn Is.) 78 1/2

H.K. & S'hal Bank (Col. Reg.) 82

Chinese Eng. & Mining (bearer) 16 1/3

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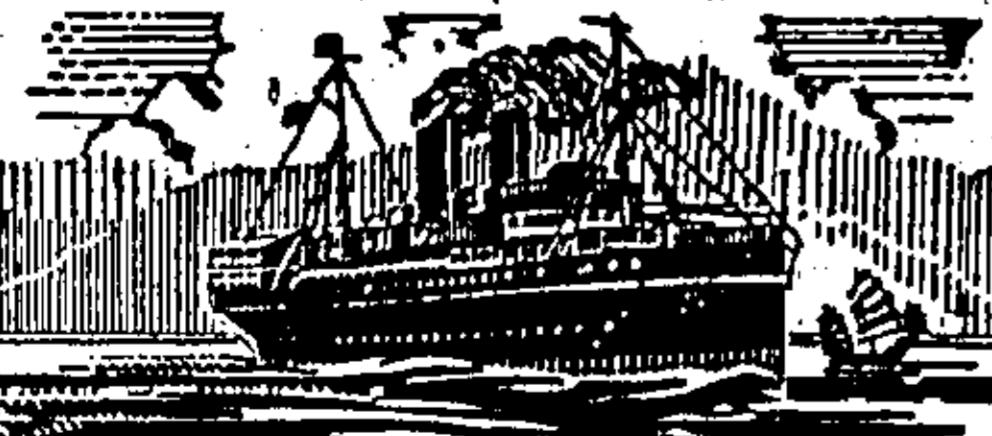
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ROTARY CLUB TIFFIN:

Interesting Discourse On
Ships' "Marks And Lines"

An interesting discourse dealing with the subject of ships' deck and load-line markings and their history was given yesterday by Mr. T. E. Jackson, Senior Surveyor of Ships, when he spoke before the Hongkong Rotary Club on the subject "Marks and Lines."

The deck and load-line markings of a ship indicate the freeboard considered necessary for the safety of the vessel; and they show the amount of hull which is free of, or above the level of water at which the ship is floating, Rotarian Jackson explained.

"About eighty years ago there had been several shipping disasters with the loss of valuable lives and cargoes, and public interest was aroused to the perils to which the passengers and crews aboard ships were being exposed. The underwriters of insurance on ships' cargoes were also hard hit, in one case a cargo valued at £200,000 was lost.

ENACTMENT RESENTED

The introduction in 1875 of the legal enactment that ships should be marked with a deck and load-line was in general resented by shipowners and masters but they did not find it a very great disability at first because the Act left it to themselves to fix the

THE WEATHER

Maximum temperature yesterday was 67 and the minimum 59.

Total rainfall since January 1 is 0.06 inches against an average of 0.44.

Royal Observatory report states:

A moderate anticyclone covers Manchuria, Korea, S. Japan and the neighbouring seas, it is moving slowly eastward.

Pressure remains moderately high over China.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., Jan. 14.

Barometer, (at sea level), 30.20 ins.

Temperature, 52 F.

Humidity, 83 per cent.

Wind Direction, ENE

Wind Force (Beaufort) 2.

Temperature: Maximum yesterday, 63 F.

Temperature: minimum last night, 60 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m. today 0.06 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st, 0.45 ins.

Against an average of 0.34 ins.

Sunset tonight, 5.59 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 7.06 a.m.

4 p.m., Jan. 14.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.11 ins.

Temperature, 55 F.

Humidity, 75 per cent.

Wind Direction, ESE.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.

Maximum temperature, 67 F

Minimum temperature, 59 F.

Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 15 to 21 Jan. 1941.

Day of Week	Date of Month	HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Wed.	15	b. m. 11.20	4.7 04.66	h. m. 04.66	0.4 0.4
		22.23	8.0 15.64		3.0 3.0
Thur.	16	11.8	4.9 04.32		0.5 0.5
		23.0	7.6 16.37		2.8 2.8
Fri.	17	12.37	5.1 05.11		0.7 0.7
		23.56	7.2 17.88		3.0 3.0
Sat.	18	—	— 08.46		1.2 1.2
		13.24	5.2 18.21		1.6 1.6
Sun.	19	00.49	6.4 07.27		1.6 1.6
		14.12	5.4 19.29		2.2 2.2
Mon.	20	01.54	5.6 08.11		2.2 2.2
		15.08	5.6 21.11		3.2 3.2
Tues.	21	03.22	4.9 08.67		2.7 2.7
		16.09	5.9 23.07		2.9 2.9

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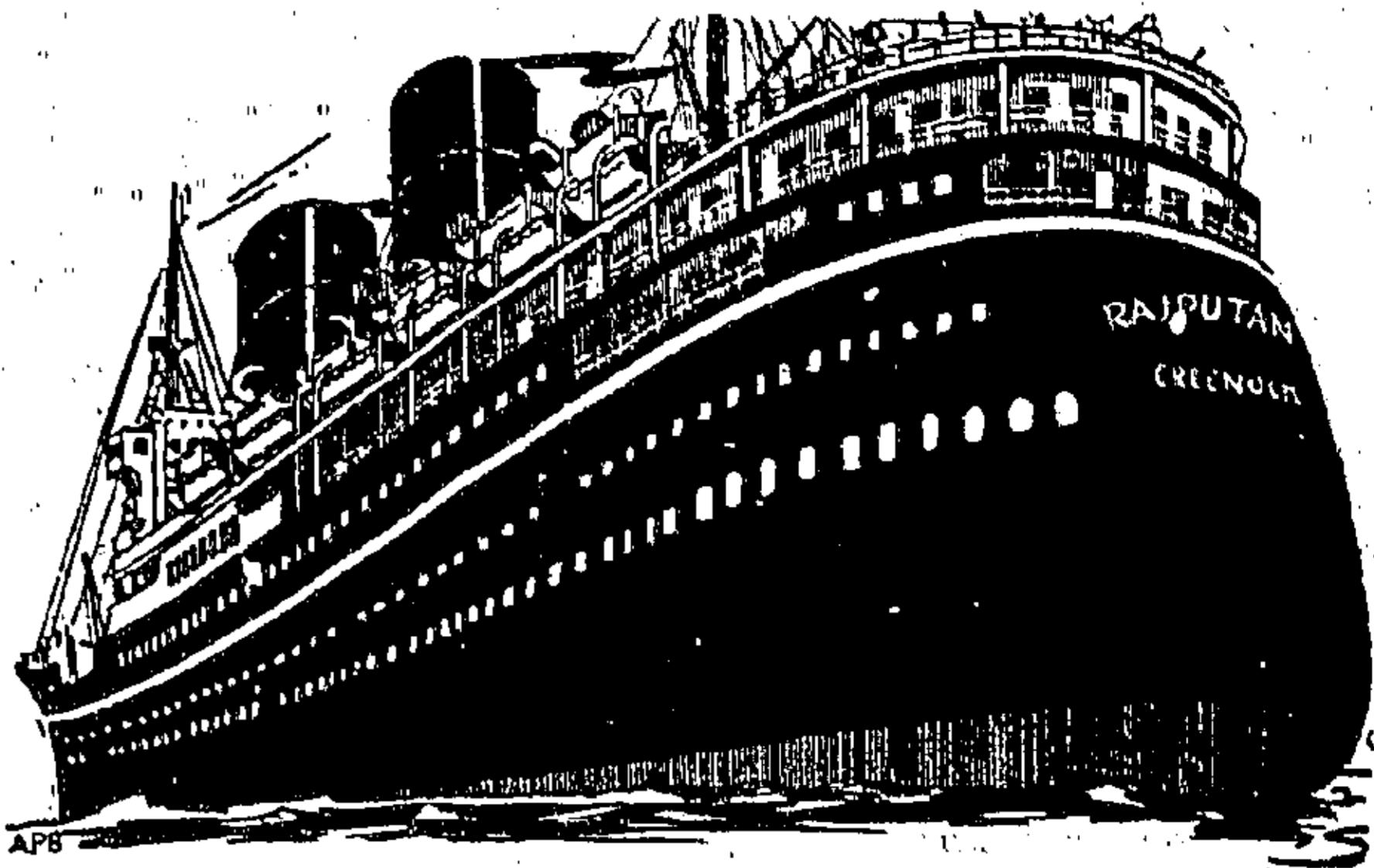
ANKARA, Jan. 14. (Reuters) — Many lives were lost and much damage was caused by disastrous floods in the Antioch region in Turkey where the River Asi overflowed following torrential rains. The floods swept away bridges, wrecked mills, destroyed roads, uprooted trees and inundated farmlands over a wide area.

The losses of livestock have been heavy and communications are completely disrupted.

Inhabitants are being evacuated from a large zone.

The rains continue.

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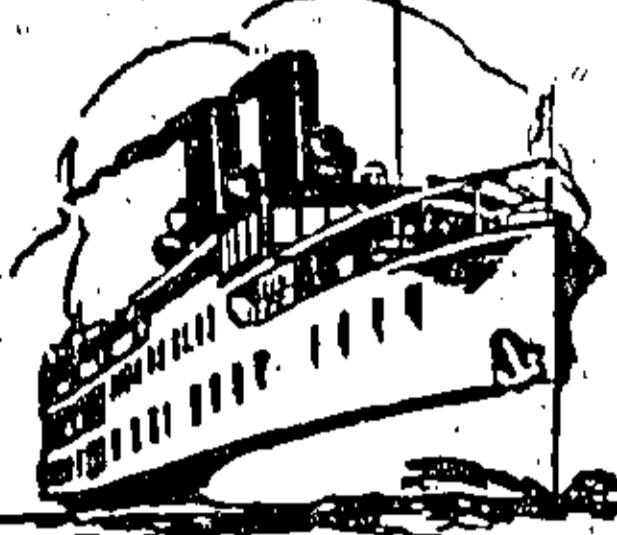
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POPE MADE 1940 YEAR OF PEACE APPEALS

VATICAN CITY, Jan. 14.—The year 1940 will go down in Catholic history as a year of peace appeals, writes Aldo Forte in the Manila Bulletin.

During the past year, with war raging on the European continent, Pope Pius XII launched 28 peace appeals to be listened to by means of speeches, radio broadcasts, homilies and pastoral letters.

At the beginning of 1940, the pontiff started working through diplomatic channels in an attempt to have the belligerents reach a compromise. Apostolic nuncios in belligerent capitals contacted the governments to which they were accredited, but outside of heavy cropping up of rumours, no peace settlement was concluded.

FIRST MESSAGE

The pope's first message in 1940 was addressed to President Roosevelt in the form of an answer to the American President's Christmas message to the pope conveyed by the newly appointed personal ambassador to the Holy See, Myron Taylor.

In this message, Pope Pius highly praised President Roosevelt for his peace efforts, calling him as "the peace magistrate of the great American nation and a peace promoter."

MADE 61 SPEECHES

During the past year, the 84-year-old pope who was always working for peace issued one encyclical, seven letters, one "motu proprio" and pronounced 61 speeches. On April 15, Pope Pius addressed a personal message to Secretary of State Cardinal Maglione, in which His Holiness appealed to the world to offer peace prayers.

His first message in 1940 in which he refrained to refer to peace was an encyclical directed to the Portuguese government on June 30, the first century of the independence of Portugal. On July 6, the pope called upon the world faithful to launch a peace prayer crusade in a special message to the Jesuits on the occasion of the fourth century of the foundation of the order.

PERSONAL MESSAGE

On Sept. 14, Pope Pius addressed a personal message to Argentine Cardinal Copello on the occasion of the national Eucharistic Congress held in Buenos Aires.

On Nov. 24, the pope again addressed a letter to Cardinal Maglione in which His Holiness called upon the world faithful to offer prayers for war victims and peace. A few days before Christmas the pope again appealed to the world to give offerings to alleviate war sufferers, especially war orphans.

PRAISES U.S.

In this letter, which was also addressed to Maglione, the pope praised the United States for its noteworthy understanding of the situations despite the distance which separated the United States from war horrors.

Pope Pius then issued a "motu proprio" granting permission to traditional Christmas Eve celebrations to be held early in the afternoon because of blackout measures adopted by belligerent countries.

FOUR BROADCASTS

During 1940 the pontiff pronounced 61 speeches and hardly ever failed in a single one to refer to the war and appeal for peace. Of these speeches, four years.

STOP PRESS**ROME RADIO ADMITS "TWO HARD KNOCKS"**

However much the Fascist keeps the news of what is happening in Libya from their own public, THEY CANNOT HIDE THE EXTENT OF THEIR DEFEAT FROM THE OUTSIDE WORLD, states a London message.

That is why the Rome Radio on Monday night admitted "two hard knocks in North Africa."

The announcer said, "Our losses have been very considerable in men and material"—and this only two days after announcing that the number of Italians missing was 357.

"We will not attempt to belittle the tactical success of General Wavell," went on the Rome Radio, which added, "The British offensive had been well organised and magnificently concluded with mechanised units which were superior to ours."

"We are quite prepared to take off our hats to the British," concluded the Rome Radio.

FINANCIAL SACRIFICE

The financial correspondent of *LE TEMPS*, who has recently arrived in France from the Italian frontier, speaks of the enormous financial sacrifice made by the Italians to transform Libya into a colonised region.

"The battle now is to preserve a part of Italy's national status," he concludes.

NEW DELHI, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—It is learned there has been a satisfactory response to Mr. Ernest Bevin's scheme to train Indian technicians for Britain. One hundred were selected for the purpose, 50 of whom are expected to leave for Britain shortly.

U.S. MEDICAL SUPPLIES**SHIPMENTS CARRIED OVER BURMA RD.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—The American Red Cross reports that medical supplies are now reaching "Free China" and this has caused the organisation to continue sending aid.

After the re-opening of the Burma Road, supplies were shipped from the United States for China's benefit, and these are now passing freely along the Road.

Investigation by the Red Cross has shown that the road is being well-maintained despite air raids, and that 50 lorries loaded with vital medical supplies and equipment have been transported since the re-opening.

Much more will be sent from the United States, it is learned. It is probable that \$1,000,000 worth of supplies will be sent, for no limit has been set for such aid.

U.S. AID TO BRITISH COMMONWEALTH ONLY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—A new "Lease and Lend" Bill, which would give American aid only to the British Empire and Ireland, was introduced in the House of Representatives last night by the Republican Representative for New York.

The Bill was introduced after Representatives had had a telephone conversation with Mr. Wendell Willkie, the unsuccessful Republican candidate for the Presidency, who announced support for the Roosevelt Bill with modifications.

The Republican measure is described as similar to the President's in everything, except that it would not permit the extension of aid to any nation other than Britain, unless Congress specially authorises it, and the powers it would confer on the President would expire in two years.

The Bill would authorise help only to Britain, Ireland and members of the British Commonwealth of Nations.

If the President desired to assist any other nation, he would have specifically to ask the permission of Congress.

MANILA, Jan. 14 (Reuter)—"Please tell General De Gaulle the pride I feel, as one who fought and bled for France, in his magnificent attitude and actions," says General Douglas MacArthur, former Chief of Staff of the United States Army. In a letter of congratulation to M. Gaston Willequet, the newly-appointed agent of General De Gaulle in the Philippines.

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